

GOULBURN ARGYLE GARDEN CLUB INC.



SPRING 2022 – NEWSLETTER

MEMBERS CORNER

Executive positions have been filled –
Secretary Christine Smith, Asst. Secretary – Serena Beresford-Wylie
Treasurer Wendy Taylor, Asst Treasurer – Diane Evans
Publicity Officer – John Nankivell
Newsletter Editor – Barbara Todkill

Following members have been elected Duty Officers

Door/Raffle Table - Rhonda Cave, Ann Hockey.

Plant Table - Margaret Wilkes, Margaret Cameron, Sue Marks

Flower of Month - Kathy Jeffrey, Glenys Gordon



Webmaster - John Nankivell has been busy updating and revamping our Web Page. **More news soon.**

Thank you, John.

MEETING PROGRAM

- 25th October Bus Trip Cowra
- 22nd November – Greg Watson Bonsai Presentation
- 6th December Christmas Luncheon \$30pp.

Reminders - Tuesday 25th October 2022 - Cowra Japanese Gardens and the Cowra Rose Garden

- **7.00am.-** Coach  will leave Ellesmere St.
- **3.00pm** (approx.) Leave for home 
- **28th May 2024** – 40th Anniversary Luncheon
- **Annual Subs \$20 – are you up to date? – please check with Treasurer.**

Why do bees stay in their hives during winter? Swarm



CLUB MEETINGS

4th Tuesday of each month, Chisholm Room, Goulburn Soldiers Club. Please be seated by **10am**.
Come early, pick up a bargain on the plant table and cast your vote for Flower of the Month. Proceeds to our Club:

- *Flower of the Month* – participate by bringing a flower, small potted plant, or some interesting leaves to display. Members popular vote, (coin)
- *Plant Stall* – members are encouraged to bring along cuttings, produce or plants, home-cooked items or anything garden related to be sold at the meeting.
- *Raffle* - \$1 per ticket, drawn at the meeting.

Please wear you name badge, **displayed prominently**, to meetings and on Bus Trips.
An honesty box will be provided to collect a **gold coin fine** from members not wearing badge. .
Monies collected will be presented to a nominated charity at the end of the year.

Members are also requested to make sure **mobile phones are turned off** during the meetings.



A big Cheerio to any of our members who may not be not feeling well – we wish you a speedy recovery.



Visit to Tulip Tops -

September 15th was a rainy Thursday, but this did not discourage 29 hardy members and guests who boarded the bus to Tulip Tops for a visit organised by Coach Captain, Annette. On arrival we settled in with morning tea and coffee accompanied by "unusual" scones, jam, and cream. Everyone enjoyed a couple of hours admiring all the flowering trees and the many tulips. Fortunately, the heavy rain held off until our lunch of sandwiches, tea, coffee and melting moments. During the return trip Annette, assisted by Lynne, conducted three raffles, won by Del Mills, Serena Beresford-Wylie and Margaret Bryant, respectively.

As reported by our Roving Reporter –JohnN

Thanks again to CC Annette 🧑 another enjoyable trip, despite the weather.



What grows under your nose? Tulips



SPEAKERS' CORNER

JULY 2022

Guest Speaker, Heather West, gave a most interesting and informative talk about FROGS. Husband, Greg, operated the video, whilst Heather commentated, and we saw many lovely pictures of the wildlife and Wetlands gardens. Members were also pleased to see the garden seat donated by the Club. The 'secret seat' is in a pleasant spot. Of interest was the bird hide erected by the late Peter Mowle. A garden has been established in recognition of his work. Heather was presented with a cheque.

AUGUST 2022

This month's Guest Speaker was Mr. Eddie Howard who gave an informative presentation on Dahlias. The talk focused on cultivation, soil preparation, weather conditions; key points being pH soil conditions and planting times, especially after frost. An interesting point made was the use of powdered milk in sprays to assist their effectiveness. He also suggested a February visit to a grower's home in Collector. Margaret Murdoch thanked Eddie and handed him a small gift in appreciation of a most interesting presentation.

SEPTEMBER 2022

Guest Speaker for September was Mr. Ray Shiel who spoke to us about soil and U3A community garden. He opened his talk with respects to Country. His subject on soil related how the soil of our Country has changed with the coming of the early settlers who grazed nonindigenous animals and sowed nonindigenous crops. This practice has impacted on the diversity of natural foods and biodiversity of our soil. He spoke about upcoming workshops on vegetable growing at the Community Garden situated behind the Uniting Church. The meeting was opened to the members who had questions about the speaker's subject. Margaret Murdoch thanked Mr. Shiel for an interesting presentation and handed him a small gift.

Flower of the Month

July – Lovely arrangement of miniature daffodils,
Won by Margaret Cameron.



August - Beautifully arranged, White, Pink
Striped Camellias, won by Wendy Taylor



September – Striking Burgundy Tulip Won by Wendy Taylor Photo unavailable, sorry.



Out and About

GCA National Convention – Townsville 11-15 September 2022

Members, Helen McAleer, Helen Bradley, Maree Murphy, and Sue Mowle District Coordinator flew to Townsville to attend the above GCA National Convention.

The weeklong convention included the AGM where our District Coordinator, Sue Mowle, was elected to the GCA Board – **Congratulations Sue!**

We visited numerous gardens, the Botanic Gardens and James Cook University and heard several very informative speakers. Well worth attending. Next year will be at Lake Macquarie-Toukley in September so **think about attending.** *Helen McAleer*

Yass 40th Birthday Luncheon

"Four members of our club journeyed to Murrumbateman to attend the 40th Birthday celebrations of the Yass and District Garden Club. They were Lynne Howe, Helen McAleer, Christine Smith, and John Nankivell. The meeting started with the appearance of Costa Georgiadis the current host of Gardening Australia. He started off the celebrations with a recorded video congratulating the hosts of the luncheon.

Following an enjoyable roast meal, we settled down to listen to the guest Speaker, Mary Moody. Probably best known as a presenter on the ABC Garden show for 10 years. During her talk she touched on the different aspects of her career which included journalism with the Australian Women's Weekly in the 60's and 70's, working at channel 9 and as a writer of gardening and cookbooks. "The Accidental Tour Guide" was published as a book of memoirs of her time living and establishing a garden in Southern France. Currently she is establishing a garden at her home in Blackheath and continues guiding tours here and overseas. We enjoyed looking at a slide presentation of her original garden set up in Laura.

The cutting of the birthday cake brought the celebrations to a close."

Report - Courtesy of Christine Smith



Where's that Roast!



Members hard at “chatting” whilst making flowers for Lilac Time Float.

Arrangements are well in hand for Lilac Time Procession – sounds like it could be a “winner”!

More news on the Procession next Newsletter.

STOP THE PRESS! We won First Prize! – Congratulations to all concerned.



THE WINNERS 2022

President	Lynne Howe	0423233984	Treasurer	Wendy Taylor	48218861
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