



# Goulburn Argyle Garden Club Spring 2024 Newsletter



The club's 24/25 financial year is now well under way, the new committee active, and I am sure members are welcoming the advent of spring. This quarter has seen a committee meeting, Legacy Lodge rose pruning and weeding, and the July, August and September club meetings. For those members heading off next month on Annette's Mayfield Gardens bus trip, don't forget to be at Ellesmere St for a 7:00 am departure on the 22nd of October. **Remember due to the Oberon bus trip to Mayfield Gardens, there will be no club meeting in October.** Members are asked to bring to the November meeting contributions for the Christmas hamper raffle prizes. Please check any 'use buy' dates as they have to be after the 3rd of December 2024 or preferably later.

**“We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses.” Abraham Lincoln**

## July committee meeting



In early July the new club committee met for the first time this financial year. President Lynne welcomed all to the meeting and new member Rhonda Cave. She reported on the successful 40th anniversary luncheon and thanked all those who helped make it a success. A new member nomination form was received from Shirley Mills and approved. President Lynne reported that we have filled speaker's spots until March next year. This includes the speaker for our February friendship meeting. Discussion took place regarding current un-financial members. The date for rose pruning at Legacy Lodge will be Friday 26th July at 9:30 am. Members will be asked to assist at our next general meeting. Club duty officer positions were discussed and filled. A badge will be ordered for our Vice President. Growing Abilities have had a break in at their nursery. It was suggested we donate \$1000. All agreed. As well the secretary will send an email to members to seek donations of cash, plants or equipment to assist them. The Lilac Time festival theme, Heritage, was discussed. Suggestions were made as how the float would be decorated. A meeting for interested members will follow the general meeting on September 24th. President Lynne will discuss with members how paper flowers are made and suggest we have a flower making working bee at a time to be decided. A membership contact list will be circulated at our next general meeting to ensure we have correct contact details for members. Our Christmas lunch will be held on the 3rd December. The secretary will send an email to members asking for a donation of non perishable items for the raffle. Following discussions the secretary moved that an asst. secretary would not be required for the tenure of the current secretary, all agreed. Annette Cave outlined details of the bus trip in October. Mayfield Gardens would be the destination. The cost of \$150 would include the bus hire, garden entry fees and lunch. The publicity officer will email members with the details. Annette Cave raised the matter of the club having a debit/credit card to be used for the payment of bus trips as many companies will not except cheques. The matter will be discussed with the members at a meeting after the treasurer returns from holiday.

## Legacy Lodge Rose Pruning



Legacy Lodge Goulburn is a residential facility run by Legacy. It currently provides accommodation for 16 people. For a number of years now the Goulburn Argyle Garden Club has been caring for the facility's rose garden. New roses are provided and planted as required as well as their yearly pruning. This month club members braved a cold but sunny morning to give the rose gardens their winter prune.



After the pruning was completed all were rewarded with a great and welcomed morning tea. Well done Iris and John Sturgiss, Kathy Jeffery, Helen McAleer, Margaret Wilkes, Annette Cave, Rhonda Cave, Lois Hill, Graham Redman, Gail Favaloro, Ray Shiel, Christine Smith and John Nankivell. Special thanks to John Sturgiss for collecting all the prunings in his trailer and taking them to be recycled.

## July Club Meeting



President Lynne introduced our speaker, member Kevin Muffett who spoke on "Safety in the garden". He gave us his background in the SES and as a first responder. His topics included clothing protection, slips, trips and falls, heat exposure, snake watch and how carrying a mobile phone when gardening was most important. After an informative talk he responded to questions and gave a demonstration on how to apply a snake bandage. This was demonstrated on our committee member Margaret Murdoch.



Two new members were welcomed, Irene Hape and Lynne Makin. They were presented with their badges and a copy of the constitution. Members were reminded of the rose pruning on Friday 26th at Legacy Lodge. Ray Shiel will attend and sharpen secateurs for the pruners.

Coach Captain Annette Cave gave a summary of the Coach trip to Mayfield Gardens in Oberon in October. If she does not have the required numbers by August, she will open the trip to other Clubs. Lynne gave us the date of Tuesday 3rd December for the Christmas luncheon to put in your calendars. Donated articles for the Christmas hampers can be left at the welcome desk each meeting.



The committee had suggested that \$1000 be donated to Growing Abilities to help compensate for the break in at their premises. The majority of members agreed to the donation. Thanks were also expressed to members who had given a personal donation at the meeting today. Lynne also spoke about the Lilac time float and appealed for members to make paper flowers as decoration. She gave a demonstration on how to make the flowers.

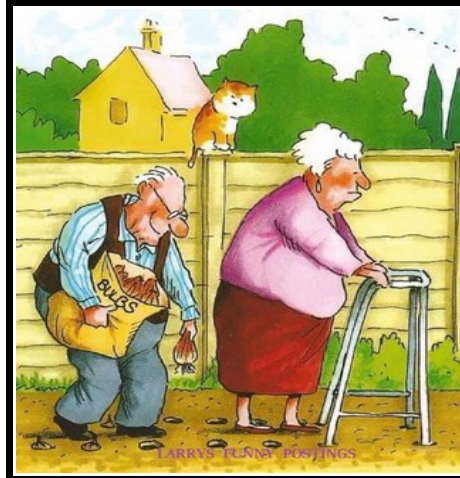
Jackie Waugh will be the speaker at the August meeting when she will talk on the her involvement with the Goulburn Show.

Our winners were

Raffle

Dawn Thorn

Flower of the month John Nankivell



## August Club Meeting



President Lynne introduced our speaker, Jackie Waugh, who spoke of her 30 year involvement in the Goulburn Show of which she is now President. She also spoke of her involvement with the Lilac Time Festival. She appealed to members to enter the garden competition and had forms for those interested. A time of questions and answers concluded her talk. President Lynne thanked Jackie and Margaret Murdoch presented her



with a small gift.

Two new members were welcomed, Judy White and Annie Bauer. They were presented with their badges and a copy of the constitution. President Lynne thanked the fourteen members who attended the rose pruning on Friday 26th July at Legacy Lodge. She also thanked the members who attended the presentation of the cheque and enjoyed the morning tea with the Manager and staff of Growing Abilities. Any craft items would be appreciated at Growing Abilities for their craft group. President Lynne gave us the cost of \$35 for the Christmas luncheon on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Donations of non perishables for the Christmas hampers can be left at the welcome desk each meeting.



A copy of a citation that came from Wendy Tuckerman was read, MP Member for Goulburn. This citation was presented and read on the 7th August 2024 in the NSW Parliament Legislative Assembly in recognition of our 40th Anniversary. President Lynne spoke about the Lilac time float. At the last Committee meeting it was decided that a float planning meeting would take place at the Soldiers Club following our club meeting for interested members on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Jackie Waugh donated a book titled "A Century of Shows". This book will be kept in our library for members to borrow or browse.



Our winners were            Raffle –                            Jackie Waugh  
                                         Flower of the month            Wendy Taylor

### Weeding at Legacy Lodge



During the rose pruning at Legacy Lodge, Helen noticed the gardens needed a good weeding. So on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September Iris and John Sturgiss, Lynne Howe, Wendy Taylor, Helen McAleer, Kathy Jeffrey and John Nankivell spent the morning filling up John's trailer with weeds. After it was filled they all enjoyed a supplied morning tea.

### Taralga Garden Club Bus Trip to Batemans Bay



The Taralga Garden Club invited members of our garden club to join them on their bus trip to enjoy a river cruise and lunch at Batemans Bay. On September 12th nine club members boarded their coach and off we went. After a comfort stop at Braidwood, we continued to Batemans Bay. Here there was time for coffee, cake and a bit of retail therapy. All aboard the cruise boat we joined members of other groups. We cruised the river, enjoyed a great fish and chips lunch accompanied for a few with a glass of wine. Nerriga was our turning around point where some of us relished an ice cream or coffee at the Nerriga cafe. It was then time to head back, re-board the coach and return to Goulburn after a very enjoyable outing. Thank you Taralga.

### September Club meeting



President Lynne introduced our speaker, Raina Emerson, local landscape Architect, Horticulturist and President of the Community Gardens. She spoke about bio diversity and the need for growing plants around public spaces, nature strips, and railway lines. Layered planting, that is, canopy, shrubs and ground covers, will increase the habitat for birds, bees and butterflies. A questions and answers time concluded her talk.

Shirley Mills was welcomed as a new member to the club. She was presented with her badge and a copy of the constitution. There was thanks to those members who attended weeding at Legacy Lodge and Lynne reported on the trip to Batemans Bay with the Taralga Garden Club. President Lynne gave us the cost of \$35 for the Christmas luncheon on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Donated non perishables for the Christmas hampers can be left at the welcome desk each meeting. Christmas lunch money can be put in an envelope and handed to our treasurer Wendy Taylor or by direct debit.

President Lynne spoke about the Lilac time float. A planning meeting will take place today downstairs in the restaurant. She appealed for anyone able to assist with the decorating and disassembling of the float for the parade. Volunteers were also required for the plant table in Belmore Park on the Monday, either to help selling or supplying goods to be sold. More details and times below. Lastly John Nankivell notified members that the 2 yearly fee for the web site was now due. Members were asked to approve \$336 to be paid to the web provider. Members agreed to the payment.



Our winners were            Raffle –                            Rhonda Cave  
                                         Flower of the month Christine Smith with a display of Hellebores.

### Lilac Time Float and Garden Stall Planning Meeting

The meeting decided the following; Members will meet on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of October at Christine and John's place 62 Chalker Ridge, Run-O-Waters at 10:00am to decorate the float. Tea and coffee will follow. Members will meet again on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> of October in Montague St at 10:00am to add live flowers etc. to the float ready

for an 11:00am departure. On Monday interested members can bring plants for sale and help if interested at 9:00am on October the 7<sup>th</sup> at our plant stand in Belmore Park. Then later on Monday at 3:00pm we will meet again at Christine and John's to wreck the float. Drinks and nibbles will follow.

There will be no meeting held in October due to the bus trip to Mayfield Gardens.

### 23/24 club executive, committee members and duty officers

#### Executive

<b>President</b>	Lynne Howe	0423 233 984	<b>Secretary</b>	Christine Smith	0421 062 435
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	John Nankivell	0490 389 699	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Helen McAleer	0450 009 815
<b>Treasurer</b>	Wendy Taylor	0408 293 852	<b>Asst Secretary</b>	Vacant	
<b>Coach Captain</b>	Annette Cave	0409 387 272	<b>Card Sender</b>	Glenys Gordon	0408 605 473
<b>Club contact</b>	PO Box 785, Goulburn, 2580		<b>Patron</b>	Barbara Todkill	48214 865
<b>Web site</b>	www.goulburnargylegarden.club		<b>email</b>	argyle.garden.club@gmail.com	
<b>Public Officer</b>	Iris Sturgiss		<b>Publicity Officer</b>	John Nankivell	

#### Committee Members

Iris Sturgiss, Kathy Jeffrey, Del Mills, Maree Murphy, Lois Hill, Dianne Lane, Rhonda Cave, Margaret Murdoch.

#### Duty Officers

<b>Door</b>	Iris Sturgiss/Dianne Lane	<b>Plant Table -</b>	Margaret Wilkes, Sue Marks, Margaret Cameron
<b>Raffle</b>	Lois Hill	<b>Flower of Month</b>	Kathy Jeffrey, Glenys Gordon
<b>Newsletter/Webmaster -</b>	John Nankivell		

The club monthly meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Goulburn Soldier's Club. Please be seated by 10am. Come early to pick up a bargain on the plant table and cast your vote for Flower of the Month. All proceeds go to the Club:

✂ • *Flower of the Month* – participate by bringing a flower, an arrangement, a small pot or some interesting leaves to display to be voted on by members with a coin. (**No foreign currency PLEASE**)

✂ • *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 your name badges to meetings and events. Display prominently. For those who don't there will be a gold coin fine. An honesty box will be provided to collect the monies which will be presented to charity at the end of the year.

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

### Club Fees

\$20/yr Newsletters will be delivered electronically to your club registered email address (is it correct?)

or

\$25/yr Newsletters will be full-colour printed and posted 4 times a year to your club registered mailing address.

*The club regrets having to add this small fee but the cost of the printing and postage of four newsletters has become very expensive. The \$5 does not cover the full cost of printing and posting so the club will pay the extra cost. But printing and posting the newsletters is a service the club is only too pleased to continue.*

Even if you have an email address you can opt to pay the \$5 and have a printed copy posted to you as well.

### GOLBURN ARGYLE GARDEN CLUB MEETING AGENDA for the rest of 2024

OCTOBER 6th	Lilac Time Parade with our float.
OCTOBER 15th	Committee Meeting.
OCTOBER 22nd	Bus trip to Mayfield Gardens in Oberon.
NOVEMBER 26th	Sam Morris talking about Fuchsias.
DECEMBER 3rd	Christmas Lunch.

### MEMBER'S CORNER

#### COACH TRIP TO MAYFIELD GARDENS IN OBERON 22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2024

The coach will leave **Ellesmere St at 7:00AM** and return around 5:30PM. We will travel to Black Springs and stop for a comfort break and morning tea. This will be provided. On arrival at Mayfield Gardens around 10ish we will be met by a garden host who will travel with us on the bus up to the Chapel. The host will give us a short talk on the new things happening at the gardens. We will then have a couple of hours to take in the gardens and then make our way down to the function room for a two course lunch at 1:00PM. Lunch will be served alternatively and will be either

Lamb cooked in reduced wine with yoghurt, peas, broad beans pickled red onions and pea shoots

OR

Trout with preserved lemon vinaigrette with warm spring salad and fennel puree

Dessert will be

Blueberry poke cake served with gin whipped cream OR Fruit salad with ice-cream and plum compote.

Tea and coffee will be served and any special dietary requirements can be accommodated. Any alcoholic drinks are at your own expense.

**Cost for the day will be \$150:00 per person and names and money {cash or cheque placed in an envelope with your name(s) written on it} must be in to Annette by October 4th.**

Annette can be contacted on 0409 387 272.

Thanks to all our members who have donated items for our Christmas hampers. And a special thanks to Margaret and Barry Thompson for their donation of lots of baskets for the Christmas raffle prizes.