

# Bathurst Gardeners' Club Inc.

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## AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to new members: Dianne Thurling and John Reid.

Thank you to guest speakers Matt Gildon from the Country Brewer, and David Rogers, Head Green Keeper at the Bathurst Golf Club, for their informative talk at our June and July meeting.

**MEETINGS:** Our August 6 meeting will be held at 2.00pm in the Walshaw Hall, Church Street, Bathurst. Our guest speaker will be Cathie Hale from the Bathurst Wholefood Co-operative. Cathie will explain the impressive and successful business model that the Co-operative incorporates to promote Local Food for Local People – Healthy Food for Healthy People. The model encourages the purchase of chemical free organic produce from a wholefood supplier who supports local growers. The Co-operative conducts mini markets from spring through to autumn and Cathie will offer a reduction in membership for interested gardeners.

Please bring a cup and plate of food to share for afternoon tea. For enquires regarding the meeting, contact Karen Granger on 0417 066 515.

Our spring meeting on Sunday, September 3 will bloom into being at the home of Robyn Ward, 238 Rocket Street, Bathurst commencing at 2.00pm. Here we will enjoy Robyn's creation of an old style traditional garden of spring surprises and colour. This garden surrounds and enhances a delightful federation home. Street parking is plentiful and entry to the garden will be by way of the driveway to the garden at the rear of the home. Robyn's garden boasts crab-apples, magnolias, a large variety of shrubs and perennials.

Please bring a cup, a chair and a plate of food to share for afternoon tea. For enquires regarding the meeting, contact Kathy Annis-Brown on 0403 398 366.

**LEURA GARDENS – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, COST \$65:** This is a pre-festival tour to four private gardens with a guide for the day. These are gardens which will not be included in the Festival. Chris and Judy will be collecting money at the August meetings. Payment can also be sent to PO Box 1049, Bathurst 2795 or paid by direct deposit: BSB 637 000 ACCOUNT NUMBER - 713853828 (Greater Building Society).

**GARDEN ETIQUETT:** To be a good guest in another gardener's garden, follow these common rules of courtesy: Please don't pick any plant or remove any part of any plant from the garden. Keep to paths, and take care to avoid trampling on plants. Observe directions and signs for your convenience and safety. Check with the garden owner that they are happy for you to take photos before taking out your camera. Respect the privacy of the garden owners. Unless invited, houses and non-garden areas are strictly out of bounds. Exercise care and consideration for others when parking. Do not park where damage could occur to private property or gardens.

**NAME BADGES:** Name badges can be obtained from fifty8GEORGE which is located at 58 George Street, Bathurst. They cost \$13.50 and can be made up in a day or so. At future meetings, an additional

raffle ticket will be given to members wearing their badge so head off and get your badge before the August meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP CARD:** Members who have not picked up their membership card can contact Terri Crumpler on 0423 709 484 to arrange collection of the card. A current Member's Card must be shown to obtain discounts from these participants, Churches Garden Centre (10% except seedlings); Riverside Nursery (10% except seedlings); Australian Native Landscapes and Books Plus (gardening books only).

**GARDEN CLUBS OF AUSTRALIA ARCHIVES:** Garden Clubs of Australia Inc. is seeking copies of GCA Journals from 1970 through to 1990. If you have any of these and would like to share them, please contact our Secretary Susie Perrott on 0431 294 446 or 6301 9193 and she will forward them to GCA on your behalf.

**COMING EVENTS:** Daffodils at Rydal Village and Surrounds, will take place over the two weekends September 9/10 and September 16/17. \$10 entry takes you to all the gardens. For more information email: [rydaldaffs@gmail.com](mailto:rydaldaffs@gmail.com) or ring Lindsay on [6359 3237](tel:63593237) or Helen on [0497 974747](tel:0497974747).

The GCA 2017 Biennial Convention is hosted by the Ulladulla and Districts Garden Club. They welcome all gardeners visiting the town in the beautiful Shoalhaven Area of Southern NSW for the convention from November 5-10.

**Activities and Cost: November 5** - Registration at Ulladulla Civic Centre (\$25). The official mayoral welcome dinner at Ulladulla Civic Centre (\$35) commences at 6.30pm.

**November 6** - Morning (Civic Centre) be entertained by two very exciting speakers - Paul Kirkpatrick and John Gabriel. Enjoy a light m/t and lunch (\$40). Afternoon tour of the Eastside town gardens (\$15) or visit an awarding winning vineyard (\$25).

**November 7** - Half day garden tour of Willinga Park. Return to the Civic Centre for lunch, Melbourne Cup screening and celebrations (\$65) or day activity including half day tour Booderee National Park, the only Aboriginal-owned Botanic Gardens in Australia. Return to Civic Centre for lunch and Melbourne Cup screening and celebrations (\$65).

**November 8** - Morning, the GCA AGM, awards, reports, guest speaker, m/t and lunch at the Civic Centre (\$45). Mid-afternoon tour of local gardens followed by life savers demonstration and beach BBQ at Mollymook Beach (\$25).

**November 9** - Half day garden tour of Willinga Park, (\$30) or full day tour, m/ tea and lunch, Southern Region gardens (\$65) or full day tour, m/t and lunch, Northern Region gardens (\$65) or full day tour, m/t and lunch, Berry and district gardens (\$65). Evening, two-course dinner and entertainment (\$35).

**November 10** - Q and A panel on gardening, wrap up, m/t and light lunch, Civic Centre (\$30).

Registrations are due by September 5. To register or for more information [www.gardenclubs.org.au](http://www.gardenclubs.org.au) or [www.ulladullagardenclub.org.au](http://www.ulladullagardenclub.org.au) or contact Valerie Tranter on 4455 5050 - after 5.00pm (EST)

New Zealand - 14 Day South Island tour featuring gardens and trains. Departure **November 4, 2018**.

Ten unique garden visits and two rail journeys. \$5250 per person twin share. Includes return airfare. Fully escorted. (Single supplement \$1200).

For bookings and further details contact Rail Holidays Australia, PO Box 1430, Bathurst. Phone 6331 1128 or 0418 337 263 or [info@railholidaysaustralia.com.au](mailto:info@railholidaysaustralia.com.au)