

# Bathurst Gardeners' Club Inc.

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## OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to new members: Heather Bennett, Joyce and John Cairns, Fay King, Loretta Fraser and Marlena Welch.

Thank you to John and Ruth Allen for their talk on orchids and the demonstration on dividing orchids at our August meeting.

Despite the committee's efforts through email, phone, website and the local radio to notify club members of the cancellation of the September meeting, some members were not aware of the cancellation. We apologize to those members who were inconvenienced by making the trip to the garden.

**MEETINGS:** Our October 2 meeting will be held at the home of Marcia Bonham, "Bondura" 250 The Bridle Track, Duramana at 2pm. Marcia's garden includes a wonderful and extensive range of natives, including some that are indigenous to the area. These two acres of garden have been the love and creation of Marcia and her late husband for the last 60 years. In Eglinton, turn left into Wellington Street, turn right into Duramana Road for 7.7 kms and turn left onto The Bridle Track for another 2.5 kms. Parking will be in the designated paddock just before the homestead, with a limited drop off zone on the circular drive around the homestead. On the weekend prior to our meeting, Marcia is opening her garden as a benefit for the Porter family after Hayley's serious horse riding accident and would very much appreciate any donations for this cause and in appreciation of her offering her garden at its best.

Our November 6 meeting will be held at "Wallaroi" the historic home of Valerie and Ewald Lehner at 99 White Rock Road, White Rock at 2pm. These 3.5 acres bring many surprises including a laburnum walk, seasons walk and a touch of Tuscany. Taking up residence in 2001, Valerie and Ewald have preserved and enhanced the old William Lee garden with new plantings and secret areas. Take Littlebourne Street from the Highway in Kelso, turn right into Lee Street and left into White Rock Road. Travel 1.5 kms and parking will be opposite the entry gates on the grassed area. Wander through the garden, up to the homestead as you enjoy breathtaking views across the Macquarie River flats. Drop off facilities are available up the drive to the turning circle at the back of the house.

For enquires regarding meetings contact Kathy Annis-Brown on 0403 398 366.

**Mount Wilson:** A trip to Mount Wilson is planned for Saturday, November 12. We will visit three lovely gardens, two of which also have plant nurseries. Bring a picnic as one of the gardens will provide complimentary tea and coffee for you to enjoy with your lunch. The cost is \$60, to cover the bus and garden admissions, based on 30 members travelling. Please try to get your money in by the October meeting if possible. The final deadline will be the

November meeting but earlier confirmation of your participation will assist with the planning. You can pay by direct deposit to the Club's account BSB 637 000 ACCOUNT NUMBER - 713853828 (Greater Building Society) or by cheque to PO Box 1049 Bathurst. Any questions should be directed to Coral or Ted on 6332 4253

**SPRING SPECTACULAR:** The launch of the Spring Spectacular will be held at Miss Traill's House on Thursday October 27 at 5.30pm for 6pm. Enjoy wine and nibbles, all garden club members are welcome.

**Plant Stall:** If you have plants to sell at the plant stall, deliver them to Miss Traill's House before the gardens open at 9.30am. Please label your plants with your initials, the price and the name of the plant. Contact Lyn Burgett on 6331 9170 if you have any queries.

**SENIOR'S VISITS:** Our Senior's Visits will start up again now that spring has arrived. Karen has already had enquires from Bathurst Seymour Centre and Accessible Living Options, and has contacted all other Centres for dates to get started. She has a few members' gardens still on her list from autumn, but would love some more. Visits are only short - a brief outing which offers seniors a chance to get off the bus and enjoy a garden for a few minutes. With a club of over 180 members Karen is hoping we can scrape together a few more volunteers to share their gardens. If you can help contact Karen on 0417 066 515.

**PLATINUM AWARD:** Bathurst Gardeners' Club and Spring Spectacular Committee recently received a Platinum Award from the Daffodil Cottage Building Extension Fundraising Committee in recognition of our support.

**COMING EVENTS:** Cowra Open Gardens Weekend October 8 and 9. There will be eight gardens open from 10am-5pm both days. Tickets can be purchased from the Cowra Visitors Centre. For inquiries about the Garden Weekend contact 6342 5623.

Canowindra Open Gardens Day Saturday October 22, from 9am-4pm. Tickets are available at Canowindra High School Office before the day or at Gardens 1 and 7. For more information contact Ash Wright on 0427 448 480.

Evans Art Council Flower Show October 22, 10am to 4pm and October 23, 10am to 2pm. For entry forms and enquires phone Kerri 6337 9903, Wendy-lou 6337 3870 or Shirley 6331 7027.

Millthorpe Garden Ramble November 5 and 6, from 10am to 4pm. Costa from ABC's Gardening Australia will be wandering through the gardens and will give some presentations on Sunday. Times and locations are yet to be finalised. A brochure will soon appear at: [www.millthorpevillage.com.au/events-venues/](http://www.millthorpevillage.com.au/events-venues/)

Walcha Garden Festival, November 19 and 20. Gardens open from 9.00am until 5.30pm. For more information please contact: [walchagardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:walchagardenclub@gmail.com) Diana Lisle 02 6777 3948 or 0429 799 083 or visit [www.walchansw.com.au](http://www.walchansw.com.au)