

Bathurst Gardeners' Club Inc.

AFFILIATED WITH THE GARDEN CLUBS OF AUSTRALIA INC.

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DECEMBER 2016/JANUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to new members: Bob Cutler, Margaret Anderson, Cathy Tregoning, Peter Stueckradt, Sally Hanrahan, Peter Hanneman, Heather Hanneman, Barry Yardley, Valerie Lehner, Ewald Lehner

Thank you to Marcia Bonham and Valerie and Ewald Lehner for allowing the club to visit their gardens at our October and November meetings.

MEETINGS: The Christmas get together and Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on December 4 at Miss Traill's Garden (321 Russell Street). The meeting will commence at 2pm. Please bring a chair and a plate of 'Christmas food' to share. All positions on the committee will become vacant at the AGM, so members are asked to please consider nominating other members, including themselves, to be an office-bearer of The Bathurst Gardeners' Club at the AGM. Positions are as follows:

Committee

President: Chairs meetings and general organisation.

Vice-President: Assists the President and take over in the absence of the President.

Secretary: Takes the minutes at committee meetings, attends to correspondence, and addresses envelopes for newsletter mail outs.

Treasurer: Looks after finances and book-keeping.

Newsletter Writer: Responsible for writing, printing and posting the Club newsletter.

Ordinary Committee members: Attends committee meetings on behalf of Club members.

Organisers and Assistants

Assistant Treasurer: Helps the Treasurer

Assistant Secretary: Takes over in Secretary's absence.

Raffle Person: Buys raffle prizes and sells raffle tickets at meetings.

Monthly Program Organiser: Responsible for organising the monthly outings and contacting the garden owner a week before the meeting.

Trip Organiser: Arranges transport, accommodation, and the itinerary for longer trips away.

Gift Organiser: Buys gifts and presents them to the garden owners at meetings.

Afternoon Tea Organiser: Brings and sets up urn, tea, coffee, milk, and sugar at outings.

Seed Bank Organiser: Keeps the seed bank replenished and brings it to meetings.

Attendance book: Brings attendance book to meetings.

Spring Spectacular Coordinator: Helps organise Spring Spectacular.

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Membership fees will be due at the December meeting. These can be paid at meetings, sent to PO Box 1049, Bathurst 2795, or paid by direct deposit. The Club's bank details are: BSB 637 000 ACCOUNT NUMBER - 713853828 (Greater Building

Society). The fees are \$15 per member or \$20 if joining as a new member (includes \$5 joining fee).

CALENDARS: Judy Bayliss will have GCA calendars for sale at the AGM; they are \$10 each.

For enquires regarding the meeting, contact Kathy Annis-Brown on 0403 398 366.

JANUARY MEETING: There will not be a Gardeners' Club meeting in January. A newsletter will be sent in mid-January for information on the February-March garden meetings.

GARDEN CLUBS OF AUSTRALIA (GCA) AWARDS: At the recent GCA AGM, two of our members received awards. Karen Granger received the Gwenda Hansford Award for outstanding service by a member of an affiliated club to the environment. Peter Varman received the Doris Killian Award for outstanding service by an individual to the community. Congratulations to Karen and Peter on their achievements. Very well-deserved.

SEED BANK: The Gardeners' Club Seed Bank has proven to be so successful that we have very little seed reserves in stock. Over the coming months when plants are seeding can you please consider collecting and donating them to our seed bank for other gardeners to enjoy. Please make sure plants used for seed collection are healthy specimens before collecting. Please put the seeds in an envelope and write the name of the plant on the envelope, then bring them to the next meeting and give them to the Seed Bank Organiser.

SPRING SPECTACULAR: Thank you to everyone who helped at the Spring Spectacular, it was a fantastic weekend. Money raised from the Spring Spectacular was donated to Central Western Women's Health crisis fund (\$15,000), Bathurst Men's Shed (\$3,500), the Mitchell Conservatorium (\$2,400) and the 2BS/Lions Club Christmas Miracle Appeal (\$1,000).

SENIORS VISITS: The Seniors Visits will now wind up until autumn with our last two visits by the Seymour Centre happening over the next two weeks.

Message from Cheraton: "Hi Karen, we would like to thank you and the club for the wonderful display of beautiful gardens we have been to. Thank you again, we enjoyed every garden we looked at, it is such a talking point for our residents when they return for days. From all of us at Cheriton thanks. Seru"

The Seniors Visits have been so well supported through spring by club members. Karen would like to thank Peg Oliver, Spencer and Beryl Harvey, Peter and Gael Harvey, Kathy Annis-Brown, Dianne Kajons, Joan Keech, Chris and Judy Bayliss, and Shirley Faulds. The visits will start again in autumn. If you can share your garden, please contact Karen on 0417 066 515.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!