

**Wentworth Falls Garden Club**  
**Minutes – General Meeting – 12 May 2016**  
**Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall**

**President - Celeste Shadie**

- Welcomed visitors.
- Advised
  - The next GM is 14 July AGM. No June GM.
  - Nominations for WFGC committee invited.
  - Description of committee responsibilities on Noticeboard.
  - Karen has commenced reminder calls for hall rosters.
  - Microphones turned up after problems at last GM.
  - Guest Speaker schedule June to December 2016 now available.

**Secretary – Gai Horrocks**

Advised/reminded members:

- GCA has invited entries for 2016 annual photo competition. Closing date 14 October 2016.
- A useful website: [myopengarden.com.au](http://myopengarden.com.au).

Directed members attention to Noticeboard:

- Stephen Vella, Wild Meadows, Little Hartley. Three workshops: May, June (2). Stephen is one of our November Guest Speakers.
- Campbell Rhododendron Gardens. Seminar Day. Theme “Changes” Four speakers. Entry and food \$20 This Saturday, 14 May 9-3pm.
- Griffith Coach Trip. October. Warren Boorman. Central BMGC.
- Numerous new flyers. Please take a look.

**Financial Report – Henry Nelson. Presented by Celeste on behalf of Henry.**

As per Statement of Accounts: 1 April – 30 April 2016

Total Funds: \$2,888.17 Total Income: \$1,569.19 Expenditure: \$2,064.49

Available Funds: \$2,392.87

Moved Acceptance of Financial Report: Celeste. Seconded: Gai.

**Welfare – Lea Nelson. Presented by Karen Handicott on behalf of Lea.**

Advised:

- Thank You cards received from Jennifer Wigan and Lea Nelson for their Get Well cards.
- Get Well card sent to Maureen Long.
- If members have welfare information please advise Lea. Contact details on Newsletter.

## **Publicity – Narelle Nolan**

Advised:

- New format for WFGC Newsletter.
- Format: Single page, double sided.
- No articles with Newsletter except for occasional one off items.
- Publicity reports will be given when required at GMs.

## **GCA Federal Committee Member and WFGC member – Helen Caughey**

- Gave short overview of GCA
- Introduced GCA FaceBook to WFGC members.
- Encouraged members to click “like” to view Helen’s daily updates.

## **Library – Carol Conway**

- Purchased:
  - Dahlias in Australia. The Winkie Way, John Menzel.
  - DVD. Treasure Gardens. Grounds and gardens of Treasure Houses of England.
- GCA Our Gardens magazine available.
- Autumn Edition of Gardens magazine, Botanic Gardens available. Donated by Jenny Priestley.

## **Membership - Barry Butler.**

- Membership fee of \$20 due at July GM.
- Members who joined this year do not pay this fee.

## **Tours and Functions – Sharon Phillips – No Report.**

## **Five Minute Speaker. Carol Conway.**

My Veggie Garden.

Carol gave an overview of her veggie garden and veggie garden hints. She discussed planting conditions, soil improvers, crop rotation and mixed planting. She spoke of seed propagation displaying a seed raising kit using half a toilet roll cylinder. She noted two favoured books: The Little Veggie Patch Company and Jackie French’s Guide to Companion Planting.

## **Morning Tea**

### **Guest Speaker:**

Erin Hall

Erin is the Team Leader of the Bushcare Team, BMCC. She has extensive experience in bush regeneration. Her experience extends to weed identification and management.

Today Erin discussed the BMCC’s weed management strategy and approach to various issues associated with bushland conservation and weed management in the Blue Mountains.

**Meeting Closed: 12.00**

**Next Meeting: Thursday GM/ AGM 14 July 2016**