

Minutes – General Meeting of Wentworth Falls Garden Club Thursday 13 August at Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall

President – Celeste Shadie

- Welcomed visitors.
- Welcomed new member:
 - Julie O’Keeffe.
- Addressed the membership.
 - Advised that Minutes of AGM in July can be found on the club website.
 - Introduced two new Committee members, Vic Tuite and Karen Handicott.
 - Advised that yearly subs are due, and that new badges are also available for those renewing or for those who have joined in January 2015 or later.
- Passed around Q&A red book.

Secretary – Merilyn Shields standing in for Gai Horrocks

Advised members:

- Orders for GCA 2016 Calendar need to be submitted today.
- Directed members’ attention to Noticeboard for posters regarding Spring garden festivals in Blackheath, Bowral, Galston etc.

Financial Report – Henry Nelson

As per Statement of Accounts: 1 July - 31 July 2015.

Total funds: \$2,409.46; Total income: \$3,100.82; Expenditure: \$1,833.27;

Available funds: \$3,677.01.

Moved acceptance of Financial Report: Henry Nelson; Seconded: Les Handicott.

Welfare – Lea Nelson

- Cards sent to:
 - Bronwyn Hay
 - Frances Craze
 - Adrienne Brown
 - Ellison and Dianne Jones
- Thank you card received from Michael Cooper + yearly subs: to be sent monthly newsletter.

Publicity – Narelle Nolan

- WFGC Gazette notices appearing as requested.
- Thanked Janine Shoemark for article on tulips.

- Invited members to contribute articles to the newsletter.

Library – Carol Conway

- Silent Auction of approximately 20 books at today's meeting. Members to take numbered ticket and register with Carol before listing their bids.
- GCA quarterly magazine available for borrowing.

Membership – Barry Butler

- Barry to be available at Morning Tea to hand out new member cards for those renewing their subscriptions.

Tours and Functions – Sharon Phillips

- Tours in September and October sold out. Those who have paid but find they are unable to go on tour to please let Sharon know as soon as possible so that others on waiting list may be included.
- Glenmore House, 13 November, sold out.
- Members invited to open their gardens for club rambles after meetings.
- Garden ramble after today's meeting at Geraldine Sternberg's garden in Leura.
- Christmas lunch to be held at WF Country Club – price to be advised.

Garden Clinic – Introduced by Celeste Shadie

- 5 min speaker – Janine Shoemark – fertilising and mulching roses.
 - Janine's shared her method based on Ben Swaine's regime.
- Q&A. Janine Shoemark.
 - Questions on cymbidium orchids, hippeastrums, windbreaks, magnolias.
 - Celeste invited members to give 5-min talk on a garden topic of their choice at any future meeting.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker – Andrew Kaye. Bushfire Survival Plan.

Successful silent auction bidders announced by Carol; approximately \$45 raised.

Meeting closed: 12 noon.

Next meeting: Thursday 10 September 2015.