

General Meeting of Wentworth Falls Garden Club

Thursday 14th May Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall

President – Celeste Shadie

- Welcomed visitors.
- Addressed the membership:
 - Sound equipment purchased. Aim to install for June GM following final consultation with Rob Clyne.
 - 2015 Guest Speaker flyer completed. Difficulty gaining final details from speakers.
 - Storage cupboard. To be purchased in July.
 - International Audio Loop signage in place at School of Arts hall.
- Passed the Q&A red book.

Secretary – Gai Horrocks

Advised members.

- GCA Photo Competition open to digital photos. Friday 16th October.

Directed members attention to Noticeboard.

- Central BM Garden Club. Trip to Griffith. 22 – 24th October 2016.
- Leura Garden Festival. 3 – 11th October.

Financial Report – Barry Butler presented in HN's absence.

As per Statement of Accounts. 1st April – 30th April 2015

Total Funds: \$2,574.92. Total Income: \$476.92 Expenditure: \$1,988.67

Available Funds: \$1,063.17

Move acceptance of Financial Report: Barry Butler. Seconded: Celeste Shadie.

Welfare – Lea Nelson. Celeste on behalf of Lea.

- Colin Flick sent a Get Well card.
- Any welfare items to Celeste for the next couple of months.

Publicity – Narelle Nolan

- Gazette 6th May.
- Newsletter change. Possible member profile based on questionnaire interview.
- White Cabbage Butterfly/Moth gardening tip. Ref. Jerry Coleby-Williams ABC Garden Show. Plant Landcress *Barbarea vulgaris*. Once consumed the Landcress poisons the Moth. Details in handout.

Library – presented by Marilyn on behalf of Carol.

- No Purchases.
- Overdue notices for library to be sent out after June meeting.
- Two copies of GCA magazine, Winter edition, now in library.
- Review of DVD The Beth Chatto Gardens.

Tours and Functions – Sharon Phillips absent. No report.

- Spring dates to be announced at June GM.
- Bring deposit money in June as names for tours will only be taken on payment of a deposit.

AGM. Celeste.

- 2014/15 members had a fourteen month membership.
- This year WFGC is bringing the club year into line with the financial year.
- 2015/16 membership renewals due in June. \$20
- The AGM meeting will be held in July.
- The committee is one member short.
- Expressions of interest are invited from members.

Garden Clinic – Introduced by Celeste Shadie

- 5 min speaker - Karen Handicott.
 - Karen gave WFGC members an overview of her garden which we visited for our March Garden Ramble.
- Q&A by Bill Avery.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker – Stuart Read - Australian Garden History Society.

Stuart gave a comprehensive overview of the life and gardens of Paul Sorensen. This topic was of great interest to WFGC members as the Sorensen nursery and the majority of Paul Sorensen's gardens are in our Blue Mountains.

Stuart made particular emphasis for the need for gardens of historic value to be managed more sensitively.

Meeting closed: 12.00

Next meeting: Thursday 11th June 2015.