

Wentworth Falls Garden Club – Minutes – General Meeting, 8 Nov 2018

Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall

President – Carol Conway

- Welcomed six visitors. No new members.
- Passed round Morning Tea Rosters.
- Wished Jane Blackshaw well in her move, noting her service to WFGC.
- Thanked Lynton for organising new banner. Referred to conception and organisation of banner logo as detailed in Nov Newsletter. Noted contribution of Marjorie Bunton and Marion Westmacott.
- Advised Questionnaire Results:
 - How Visitors heard of WFGC:
 - by word of mouth (4) Gazette (3) or other (1)
 - Members' Website Use:
 - Last month - 14, Past three months – 5, Didn't use - 35.
- Thanked Sed and Henry for web upgrade. Sed will do website overview at Feb GM. Latest Garden Tips uploads: Growing Irises. Feeding Birds – Wires.
- Thanked Sed for research into upgrades of AV equipment. Liaised with BMCC re larger screen.

Secretary – Gai Horrocks

Advised members:

- GCA calendars ordered at Oct GM have arrived.
- GCA magazine order form available.

Directed members attention to Noticeboards.

- List of dates for 2019 General Meetings.
- Open Gardens Flyers: Peonies – Bowenfels, Crookwell, Wild Meadows - Little Hartley.
- NSW Floral Art. Mittagong. 2 Feb 2019.

Financial Report – Henry Nelson

As per Statement of Accounts: 1 – 30 Oct 2018

Total Funds: \$7,131.58 Total Income: \$1,747.43 Expenditure: \$2,415.97

Available Funds: \$6,463.04

Move acceptance of Financial Report: Henry. **Seconded:** Marilyn Shields

Advised Merino Magic fertiliser orders to be taken during Morning Tea.

Welfare- Lea Nelson

- As presented by President: Wishing Jane Blackshaw a happy move.

Membership – Barry Butler

- Membership stands at 123 after removal of non-financial members.

Library – Merilyn Shields

- Silent Auction today. Explained bidding system
- Seven books donated by Barry Butler. Displayed books.
- Advised extended borrowing over Christmas break. Return at Jan GM.
- Noted some very overdue DVDs/books. Requested return.

Tours and Functions – Lynton Phillips

- Successful trip to Mahratta House and Lisgar Gardens.
- Christmas lunch. Last chance to book. \$35 members. \$40 guest.
- Hillandale. Bookings being taken for first 2019 trip.
- Plant Collectors' Fair. 6 April 2019.
- Access bus. Cost increase may reflect in pricing of future trips.
- Today's Garden Ramble. Gave background and explained parking.

My Garden – Introduced by Carol as “Our Garden”, set in the Blue Mountains National Park. Special viewing of OEH film in place of usual My Garden/Q&A segment. “Ancient Future – Saving the Wollemi Pine.”

Raffle Draw.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker – Jack Herbert, Australian Botanic Garden, Mt Annan

Topic : Australian Carnivorous Plants.

Silent Auction – Merilyn Shields

Successful bidders named. Books collected from Library.

Meeting closed: 11.45am.

Next GM: 10 Jan 2019