

Minutes – General Meeting – 9.45am Thursday 11 March 2021

Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc. Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall.

Historic Note:

Second General Meeting since Covid19 Lockdown, March 2020.

After twelve months the Covid restrictions are being eased.

The first GM in February was limited to 52 members. March numbers were increased to 102. All WFGC could choose to attend.

No text preregistration required. NSW Gov.COVID-19 app sign in still required.

Prepackaged Morning Tea. Library reopened.

President - Janice Light

Welcomed members and new member, Jocelyn Dorrough.

Passed Hall Set Up roster.

Advised:

- Covid management ongoing. Morning Tea as for February General Meeting.
- June General Meeting will be held. Previous conflict of bookings not a problem.
- Plant Stall will open at April GM. Request for plants and cuttings.
- Garden Ramble after meeting – Adrienne Brown. Map available.

Secretary – Gai Horrocks

Advised members:

- GCA First 70 Years 1950 – 2020 booklet displayed on stage.
- Hartvale Garden, Little Hartley. Open 27 March.
- Plastic garden pots available. Members invited to help themselves.

Financial Report – Henry Nelson

As per Statement of Account: 1st Feb to 28th Feb 2021

Cash Book Balance 1st Feb 2021: \$3,968.81. Income: \$256.26. Expenditure: \$376.17

Cash Book Balance 28th Feb 2021: \$3,848.90. Available Funds: \$1,298.90

Move acceptance: Henry Nelson

Seconded: Celeste Shadie

Welfare – Lea Nelson.

No welfare cards sent last month.

Merino Magic

Lea advised this month will be the last orders taken for Merino Magic due to illness in Bob Smith's family.

The focus was for members to buy the MM sheep manure product. However through the efforts of Bob Smith, Henry and Lea Nelson and WFGC members \$7,500+ was raised for a Bangladesh orphanage/school. A big Thank You to Henry and Lea who initiated the contact with Bob and organised the orders and distribution of MM.

Library – Marilyn Shields

Marilyn advised the library is open today.

Noted:

- Please check for books checked out a year ago. Many returns in box last month.
- Gardening books of Janine Shoemark donated by Peter in her memory:
 - *Garden Flowers* by Christopher Lloyd
 - *A Grower's Guide to Trees* - Better Homes and Gardens.
 - *Rural Australian Gardens* by Myles Baldwin.
- Purchased book: *The Permaculture Home Garden* by Linda Woodrow.
- Magazines. Members advised to help themselves to magazines.

Guest Speakers – Carol Conway

- Guest Speakers:
 - April - Lloyd Sharp. Heritage and Edible Plants around the World.
 - May - Mary Moody. Botanical and cultural trek.
- Request for speaker topics. Thank you to Margaret Kennedy for her suggestion.

My Garden – Adrienne Brown

Adrienne spoke to members at the meeting and described her garden.

WFGC had the pleasure of visiting Adrienne and Eric's garden in January 2017.

Today we returned after the General Meeting. Our first Ramble this year.

Wonderful to see a garden grow, fill and blossom. 15 cubic metres of mulch spread by husband, Eric, over the past year certainly contributed.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker – Liz Benson – Wally Wollemi

A popular speaker with WFGC, Liz returned to explore the significance of the Wollemi Pine and the spotlight its discovery shone on our knowledge and interest in the Gondwana period of Australian nature.

Raffle Draw

Meeting closed: 11.55am

Next GM: Thurs 8 April 2021