Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc Minutes – General Meeting. Thursday 12 May 2022 9.45am. Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall. President – Janice Light

- Welcomed members and new member, Gwen Day. No visitors.
- Apologies received: Henry and Lea Nelson, Kevin and Susan Hummel, Kevin and Fran Craze, Sheena Simpson, Dorothy Thompson.
- Passed Hall Set Up Roster.
- Asked and received two volunteers to help with Morning Tea.
- Gave overview of recycling process used by MT ladies.
- Advised MT will be expanded in August to include contributions brought in by members.
- MT roster will be passed at July GM for August expanded MT. Three volunteers per month contribution of savoury, sweet, GF or fruit platter.

Secretary – Gai Horrocks

Advised members and drew attention to Noticeboard:

- GCA National Convention 2022. 11-15 September 2022. Townsville.
 Guest Speaker, Tim Marshall, Chair of National Association for Sustainable Agriculture Australia. Latest book *Composting: The Ultimate Organic Guide to Recycling Your Garden.*
 - \circ Convention details on Noticeboard and available on GCA website.
- In March 2022 the gang gang cockatoo was listed as endangered. A Gang- Gang Cockatoo Recovery Project has been initiated in the Blue Mountains. Their list of recommended shrubs and trees suitable for your garden is displayed. A link is on WFGC website.

Financial Report – Apologies - Henry Nelson. Janice on behalf of Henry.

Cash Book Balance as at 1st April 2022: \$4,623.10 Expenditure: \$956.30 Cash Book Balance at 30th April 2022: \$4,259.25 Available Funds: \$1,699.25 Moved acceptance: Janice Light Seconded: Lynton Phillips

Welfare – Apologies – Lea Nelson. Janice on behalf of Lea.

• Card of Condolence to Bronwyn Hay

Library – Merilyn Shields

- May Speaker Sue Carney Bees. The library's collection of books and DVDs on Habitat Birds and Bees displayed to encourage borrowing.
- Wentworth Falls book shop closing. Discounted books purchased:
 - Earthworms Unlimited Amy Brown
 - The Border Book Anne Pavord.

Events and Rambles – Janice Light, Ronah Tuite.

- TAFE lunch confirmed. Tuesday 14 June. \$35.
- Yulefest lunch. Grandview Hotel. Thursday 30 June. Two courses \$55.

Guest Speakers – Carol Conway

- Advised today's guest speaker is Sue Carney.
- Confirmed Judy Horton is June Guest Speaker. Judy will do Q&A.
- Introduced John Siccardi who spoke of the Care of Garden Tools and:
 - Displayed a 130+ year old rake belonging to his wife's family.
 - Recommended the care of garden tools and the longevity of such tools
 - Invited WFGC members to a Tool Sharpening Day at his home.
 Date to be advised. Max 12 people.

Member Gardening Tip – Geraldine Sternberg

BMCC have compost bins available for \$20. Bins will be delivered.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker – Sue Carney "Bees. Helping Us, Helping Them. Local and Global"

Sue is Vice President of Amateur Beekeepers Australia and editor of "The Amateur Beekeeper" the association's bi-monthly journal. She is founding president of Blue Mountains Beekeepers and keeps bees in Langstroth, Flow and Warre hives.

GM closed: 12noon

Next GM: 9 June 2022