Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc.

Minutes – General Meeting. Thursday 13 October 2022

9.45am. Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall.

President - Janice Light

- Welcomed members and two visitors.
- Hall Set Up Volunteer roster passed.
- Morning Tea Coordinator, Barbara Fox, advised members:
 - o Many members assisted with MT set up this morning. Many thanks.
 - Described the duties of MT helpers.
 - o Passed Volunteer Rosters: MT Helpers, Bring a Plate volunteer.

Secretary – Gai Horrocks

Drew attention to Noticeboard and advised members:

- Ordered 2023 GCA calendars have arrived.
- Spring Garden Festivals noted. Details on Noticeboard.
- Edible Garden Trail this weekend 15-16 October.
- Season Gardening Sheets (\$2 per sheet) available from Henry Nelson.

Financial Report – Henry Nelson

Cash Book Balance as at 1st September 2022: \$6,215.16

Income: \$1,136.04 Expenditure: \$909.88

Cash Book Balance as at 30th September 2022: \$6,442.32. Available Funds: \$3,942.32

Move to accept: Henry Nelson. Second: Geraldine Sternberg

Henry advised Cash Book funds appear inflated. WFGC has not been billed by BMCC Hall Hire for four months.

Welfare – Lea Nelson

Thinking of You cards sent to members: Sheena Simpson, Margaret Kennedy, Liz McCowage, Marjorie Gunasekara and Sed Mayne.

Membership - Kevin Hummel

October GM: 59 members attended. 5 apologies, 2 visitors.

Library – Merilyn Shields

- Thanked members for generous response of \$172 for Silent Auction.
- Advised two books accessioned to WFGC library:
 - o Sophie's Patch Sophie Thomson
 - My Gardening Year Shirley Stackhouse.
- Requested members advise of any recommendations.

Events and Rambles – Janice Light

Christmas Lunch \$50. 8 December at RSL. Names/money being taken. DD payment available.

Guest Speakers – Carol Conway

- Cherrydell Ramble:
 - Address and directions available on offical table.
 - Sign in with Trish Fewer at Ramble.
- Guest Speaker Program Jan June, 2023 is a work in progress. Possibly ready for handout at Christmas Luncheon.
- November Guest Speaker Peta Trahar. *Moth* the Lost David Austin Rose.

Sylvia Beresford's Botanical Art Sketches. Read by Carol Conway

Today we were treated to a display of botanical art sketches by Sylvia Beresford. Sylvia has exhibited numerous times in *Botanica* Australia's leading contemporary botanical art exhibition at the Royal Botanic Garden, Sydney.

Sylvia displayed examples of the steps she takes from planning, roughing out and creating a template to finished art pieces.

An overview of these processes was read by Carol Conway on Sylvia's behalf.

A gorgeous onion watercolour was donated by Sylvia as a door prize.

Sylvia generously donated her botanical watercolour piece *Queen of the Night to WFGC*.

Queen of the Night will be raffled with the draw taking place at the Christmas Lunch 8 December.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker: Jane Stockel Design Trends for 2023 and 2022 Chelsea Flower Show. Jane presented her experiences of the Chelsea Flower Show 2022 and the design scene for 2023. Jane also treated members to her decorative linen items which were for sale.

GM closed: 11.40 Next GM: 10 November 2022