

## **Minutes – General Meeting – Thursday 14 November 2019**

### **Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc., Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall**

#### **President – Carol Conway**

- Welcomed two visitors.
- Welcomed new members: Grant Clarke, Gary Halliday, Ian Hay, Pamela Reeves.
- Advised members:
  - Guest Speaker Schedule Jan. – June 2020 distributed. Schedule on WFGC website. Copies available at WFGC Christmas function. This schedule will also be displayed in Community Noticeboards and Libraries.
  - A WFGC Tours and Functions Convener is still required.

#### **Secretary – Gai Horrocks**

Advised members:

- GCA 2020 calendars arrived. Three additional copies available.
- Hearing Loop available in the Hall.
- Dates noted for Little Hartley Open Gardens: Highfields Garden and Wild Meadows. Noted Highfields is not open weekend 16-17 November.

#### **Financial Report – Henry Nelson**

As per Statement of Accounts 1-31 October 2019

Total Funds: \$4,126.99      Total Income: \$1999.50      Expenditure: \$1,494.63

Available Funds: \$4,631.86

**Move acceptance of Accounts:** Henry Nelson

**Seconded:** Sed Mayne.

Treasurer advised:

- July 2018 – June 2019. Entrance fees \$4,170.10. Expenditure \$4009.58  
Noted the \$5pp fee is well priced when compared with our expenditures.
- Annual donations of \$250 to BM SES and Wentworth Falls RFB not yet made.  
Treasurer suggested donations be made now rather than wait until Jan CM.  
Motion proposed by Henry and seconded by Fran Craze. Motion passed.

#### **Welfare – Lea Nelson**

- Get Well – Martin Vaughan.
- Thinking of You – Sharon and Lynton Phillips.
- Cards sent to 12 long term members who have missed meetings enquiring into their well-being. Nine replies received, expressing gratitude for the thought and kindness, and making positive comments regarding their schedules and return to WFGC in 2020.

Merino Magic: Final for 2019. \$6 per 10 kg bag. Orders to Lea during Morning Tea.

### **Membership – Barry Butler**

- 149 members
- 26 payments to come.
- Noted 14 cards sent by Welfare Officer, Lea Nelson, to “missing” long time members.

### **Library – Merilyn Shields**

- Book donations to WFGC will go into Silent Auction early next year.
- Five of the donated books will be accessioned:
  - *Guide to Edible Gardens* – Jackie French.
  - *Country Flowers of A Victorian Lady* – Fanny Robinson.
  - *Gardening made Easy* – Better Homes and Gardens.
  - *Your Gardening Questions and Answers* – Readers Digest.
  - *Australian Gardening Encyclopedia* – Kate Olds, Kate Etherington, various contributors.

### **Tours and Functions – Carol Conway**

- Garden Ramble at Vic and Ronah Tuite. Directions on front table. Sign on sheet at garden.
- Jan. 2020 Garden Ramble. Bring a picnic basket. Bring a folding chair.
- Request for February and March Garden Ramble hosts.
- Christmas function. Last chance to book today. Separate payment of \$9 for drink.

### **Guest Speakers – Carol Conway**

- Guest Speakers Schedule Jan. – June 2020. Printed and available for members today. On WFGC web.
- Guest Speaker suggestions requested for August, Sept and Nov, 2020.

### **Not My Garden – Susan Hummel.**

Susan Hummel represented WFGC at GCA Norfolk Island 2019 Convention and AGM. Three hundred GCA members representing all states, ACT and NZ attended over the four days.

Susan’s AV presentation, photographs by Kevin, of the nine gardens visited gave WFGC members an insight into the unique and differing aspects of Norfolk Island gardening as well as the historic backgrounds of ownership.

### **Morning Tea**

**Guest Speaker:** Dianna van Gaal. Irises.

**Meeting closed:** 11.50am

**Next GM:** Thursday 9 Jan. 2020