Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc.

Minutes – General Meeting. Thursday 8 September 2022

9.45am. Wentworth Falls School of Arts Hall.

President – Janice Light:

- Welcomed members and one visitor.
- Welcomed Spring. Thanked members for floral contributions from their gardens.
- Advised raffle donation by member and artist, Sylvia Beresford. Thanked Sylvia for once again gifting one of her botanical paintings to WFGC.
 - Watercolour artwork of a single Black Tulip ("TULIPA 'Queen of the Night.")
 - o Raffle to be drawn at Christmas Lunch 8 December.
 - o Ticket: \$5 per ticket. 3 for \$10.
 - Tickets to be sold at each General Meeting- Sept/Oct/Nov.
- Invited Trish Fewer to speak.
 - Trish advised members Don le Quesne, Cherrydell, invited WFGC members to drop into his garden to view daffodil display.
 - Cherrydell, Holmes St Leura.
 - Please use the Holmes St entrance not Everglades Avenue.
- WFGC has a club ramble at Cherrydell directly after 13 October General Meeting.

Secretary – Gai Horrocks

Advised members and drew attention to Noticeboard:

- GCA 2023 Calendars have not yet arrived.
- Noted the many Spring Garden Festivals October- November. List on Noticeboard.
- Article on Hartvale, a Central Tablelands open garden, is displayed in GCA magazine.

Financial Report – Henry Nelson

Cash Book Balance as at 1st August 2022: \$5,408.98 Income: \$1,010.36. Expenditure: \$203.98

Cash Book Balance as at 31st August 2022: \$6,215.36. Available Funds: \$3,625.36 **Move acceptance:** Henry Nelson. **Seconded:** Robbert Van Leeuwen

Welfare-Lea Nelson

- Thinking of You cards: Geraldine Sternberg. Giselle Vickery
- "Missing You" cards sent to seventeen members. Lea received numerous grateful contact calls and health updates. Three members sent membership renewals.
- Merino Magic. Available for order. Direct Debit details on Newsletter.

Membership – Kevin Hummel

- 88 memberships renewed.
- September GM: 60 members attended. 13 apologies.
- 55 members attended each of July and August GMs.
- Attendance of 77 unique persons over the three meetings of the year.

Library – Merilyn Shields

- Silent Auction of 40+ books held at September GM.
- Advised purchase of book, *Entangled Life* by Merlin Sheldrake recommendation of August Guest Speaker, Peter Hey.

Events and Rambles - Janice Light

- Mayfield Bus Trip 15 September.
 - Final payment due.
 - A few seats available for booking and payment today.
 - Email will be sent to all participants advising final details.
- Mystery Garden 5 October.
 - o Due to lack of numbers the Mystery Garden Ramble is cancelled.
 - o Refunds will be made.
- Christmas Lunch
 - o 8 December at Katoomba RSL.
 - o Bookings open. No payment until October GM. Costing to be finalised.

Guest Speakers – Carol Conway

- Thank You to Lea Nelson for all her Welfare work including redirecting an email containing a "Lost and Found" friend to Carol.
- 13 October
 - o Speaker: Jane Stockel. Chelsea 2022 and Design Trends for 2023.
 - o Ramble after GM. Don le Quesne Cherrydell.
- 10 November
 - Speaker: Peta Trahar The Lost David Austin Rose "Moth."
 - Garden Q&A: Peta Trahar.

My Garden – Member, Pauline Bartle.

After purchasing their Leura home, Pauline and Warwick joined WFGC in February 2021. Using AV Pauline gave a wonderful overview of the rescue, restoration and ongoing development of their garden.

In November 2021 WFGC members were treated to a Random Ramble, Pauline and Warwick's garden being one of the three gardens visited. This was a very special day after Covid cancellation of WFGC GMs since June of that year.

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker – Brenda Lyons. Baskets of beautiful daffodil varieties and AV presentation for All about Daffodils – History, propagation, Daffodil likes and dislikes, the method of flowering daffodils from April to November. A

GM closed: 12:00 **Next GM:** 13 October 2022