



Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc.
Affiliated with The Garden Clubs of Australia Inc.

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We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of this land: the Darug and Gundungurra people.

From the Vice-President.....

Well, autumn has well and truly arrived, and we have had our first burst of those chilly mornings that the mountains regularly produce, with the resultant beautiful colours.

Firstly, I can advise that the notes and links for the presentation made by Manu Prigioni last month are now on our website. Please read them at your leisure.

Our Annual General Meeting at which we will elect our new committee will be held in July. Please note that three of our committee members have indicated their desire to retire and so we are looking for replacements. Nomination forms are available today. Please step up for a role that you could fill and assist in the continuing success of what is one of the most viable clubs in the BM Zone.

Last weekend a number of our members attended the Plant Collectors Fair, returning in the usual fully-packed bus to Wentworth Falls, after lunch at Springwood Country Club! A really great day for all!

Our 30th Anniversary is in May and we have invited some of our former members back for the occasion. There will be opportunities given for reminiscing, as well as a special speaker, George Hoad, the President of The Garden Clubs of Australia, so please come and help us celebrate, and also enjoy a slice of the special anniversary cake. There will also be a presentation of the photographs of gardens submitted by our members for use as banners on our website.

We welcome our speakers today, Piercarlo and Christine Cuneo from Birches of Leura. They will speak on "Spring Bulbs and Greenhouses".

Good Gardening,

Henry

Our Speakers today are:

Christine and Piercarlo Cuneo from Birches of Leura.

Their topic will be Spring Bulbs and Greenhouses.

Piercarlo Cuneo is a certified Master Mariner whose wide experience in the shipping industry includes sea experience, heavy lifts, project cargo superintendency, agency management finally become a Marine Surveyor. At retirement age, Piercarlo decided to join forces with wife Christine, a qualified horticulturist, to open a plant nursery in Leura: Birches of Leura. Piercarlo's other interests in life are sailing, travel, the local Rotary Club and president of the Leura Village Association.

Christine began her working career in the theatre and TV, having graduated from NIDA – The National Institute of Dramatic Art. She later changed course and studied horticulture. She then worked in nurseries in the Sydney area before buying and creating Birches of Leura. She is also an author of children's books.

Web Site: www.birchesofleura.com

Club Tours and Functions

Club tours and functions are available only to members and must be booked and paid for at a club meeting.

Thursday 2 May	30 th Birthday Celebration Lunch. Wentworth Falls TAFE 12 Noon. \$30 each – must be paid for at today's meeting. Please advise any dietary requirements. Drinks extra - to be paid by credit card – no cash facilities on the day at the TAFE. This event is fully booked.
Thursday 9 May	Garden ramble after the May meeting. Details at the meeting.

Silent Auction TODAY

There is a Silent Auction at TODAY's meeting. There are over 60 books available. Bring your gold coins and see Merylyn in the library to obtain a number and register your bids.

ALL executive and committee positions become vacant at the AGM in July. All positions are open for nomination.

If you would like to contribute further to the effective administration of the club, you are invited to nominate for either an executive or committee position. The committee members meet once a month to review and discuss the operation of the club, future functions, speakers, finance and how we can best serve the members of the club. Three committee members, Sharon, Anne and Vic, will be stepping down this year and we would invite you to consider how you could join the committee and help your club.

Please see Gai or Henry for a nomination form or any enquiries

Next Meeting

9th May 2019

Guest speaker:

George Hoad, President,
The Garden Clubs of Australia

Hall set-up and Pull down:

Barbara Fox and Duncan Leys

Morning tea

Christine Caton and Fran Munroe

Bring a plate

Lucille Frank and Bev Turner

Club Information

All members and visitors are asked to sign in upon arrival. Members are asked to wear their club name badges to all club meetings, tours and functions. To take part in club functions and tours you must be a *bona fide* club member. General meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month, from January to November, at the Wentworth Falls School of Arts Theatre, Adele Ave (cnr Great Western Hwy), Wentworth Falls. Check-in is at 9.30am and the meeting finishes around noon. The library and plant stall are open before the meeting and at morning tea. \$5 entry fee.

Joining fee is \$30. Thereafter, annual subscription is \$20 due in July each year. Payments can be direct debited to Wentworth Falls Garden Club Account: BSB: 062-559 Acct: 28003852.

Ensure your name is included with your remittance.

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