

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 President.....

Welcome everyone to a new year of Garden Club. Renewals can be made in the foyer and your new badge acts as your receipt. We are fortunate in that several local nurseries are willing to continue offering a discount on plants purchased when you show your current badge at point of sale. You will find their venue details on the reverse of the badge.

Bill Grattan of Bay Tree Nursery is relocating from Mt Victoria to his property in Clarence. See the back of our membership card for details. Bill has been a great supporter of the club over the years and it has been mutually beneficial. I'm sure some members will be happy to continue to support him when he opens later in July or August. Call Bill for further details: Phone: 02 4787 1851.

Do you listen to Blue Mountains Community Radio on FM89.1? Tune in on Wednesday mornings from 9-10am and you will hear Susanne Rix, one of our members, on her gardening program *Green Thumbs*. Susanne has different local guests each week with their own gardening stories to tell, interspersed with their choice of a few pieces of music. As an update on the *Edible Garden Trail* that Susanne instigated two years ago, other groups in Sydney and further afield have taken up her idea and are instigating their own events. Congratulations Susanne.

Thank you so much to our departing committee members. Vic has done a sterling job in setting up our AV every month, an essential role these days with most speakers requiring this facility. Anne has brought us many interesting speakers during her coordinator role and we wish her improving health. Sharon and Lynton Phillips have been providing our tours and functions for the last eleven years and we have enjoyed every one of the events that they have organized. Prior to that they were committee members for a further five years. They are a hard act to follow but if you feel you would like to have a go at this very valuable role in the club, the committee would love to hear from you. Let's talk!

Carol

The Annual General Meeting will be held today. The Minutes and Reports from the 2018 AGM are available. A new committee will be elected for 2019/20.



Have YOU nominated for the Committee?

Membership renewal of \$20 is due from today. New badges will be issued upon payment. (If you joined after 1st January 2019, you are not required to pay renewal until July 2020.) See back for EFT details.

Club Tours and Functions

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

30 ^m September	Leura Gardens Pre-Festival tour. Four very special gardens. This is a self-drive event.
	Car-pooling is recommended. \$30 per member.
12 th December	Christmas Lunch at Mountain Heritage, Katoomba. Cost and Details TBA.

Our Speaker today is Jane Stockel CMG

Jane Stockel will be telling us about the design scene, decorative linen and the 2019 Chelsea Flower Show.

Originally from England, Jane lived and worked in Hong Kong from 1964. From 1988 until 1996 Jane and Australian husband Peter lived in Singapore. After Peter's retirement they lived in Queensland for 16 years but the call of proper gardening weather drew them to the Southern Highlands in 2013, where they now have a very productive vegetable, fruit and flower garden.

With her own company, Jane Stockel Designs, she consults to several companies on home/interiors design trends and colours. A prime customer is a major artificial flower manufacturing company in China and Jane tracks horticultural themes, fashion trends in texture and colour to assist in their collections for a global market. Her linen business is an offshoot of the inspiration gleaned from years of appreciation of all things decorative.

A senior member of the prestigious Color Marketing Group, based in the USA, Jane has served on the Board of Directors, is immediate Past Chairman of Color Marketing Group's Asian Region and will be contributing to the Asia Pacific Conference in Shanghai in September 2019.

Jane presents her annual Chelsea Flower Show research to Garden Clubs all around New South Wales and brings along her decorative linen items for sale. Jane will present her experiences of Chelsea Flower Show 2019, the design scene, plus some gardening hints along the way.

You may use credit card facilities today when shopping at Jane's stall.

Merino Magic returning soon...

Merino Magic will be returning in a month's time. See Lea Nelson at the August meeting with your new order. Available for \$6 / 10kg bag, to be picked up from Leura.

Future Meetings

8th August 2019

Guest speaker:

Our speaker for August will be Mary Moody, who will tell us about her *Gardening Australia* years, Yetholme/ Blackheath gardens and much more

Hall set-up and pull-down:

Sed Mayne, Ken Bernoth (set-up) and Daniel Murphy (pull-down)

Morning tea Fran Craze and Julie Allen

Bring a plate Ruth Lowson and Kerrie Lee

12th September 2019

Guest speaker: Our speaker is David Kennedy: "The Making of our New Garden, Highfields"

Membership renewal of \$20 is due from today. 1) Please pay in cash, OR

2) Remit electronically to our bank account:

BSB: 062 559 Account No: 2800 3852

Please ensure your <u>name</u> is included with the remittance.

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 at 9.30am and finish 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 **<u>name</u>** is included with your remittance.

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