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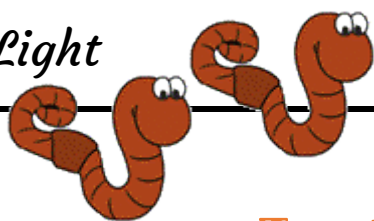
We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of this land: the Darug and Gundungurra people.

A message from the President.....

The big wet continues! Bringing excessive growth and piles of bothersome refuse, we must find somewhere to stash it, so it gets tucked away in a hide-away place at the bottom of the garden. As mentioned in the April newsletter a BMCC Booked Waster Service created a lot of work in preparation for pick-up of a mountain of refuse from 12 port wine magnolias. As you read this, *free at last*, it's all gone. However, there's still much to do- hedges overgrown, shrubs need shaping, to say nothing of all the weeds and unwanted plants growing in the wrong places. What it is to maintain a garden even if your preference is for a less formal effect. But who doesn't love worms!! These industrious little creatures work unnoticed and tirelessly, breaking down our unwanted rubbish and leaving behind a most useful commodity.

Such amazing and unsung little heroes, Earthworms are a good sign your soil is in good shape. There are two types of worms that do different jobs. Those that compost, are smaller and live closer to the surface, turning all that they eat into nutrient rich soil. They can take a warmer atmosphere and don't mind crowded conditions. The earth moving worms on the other hand, prefer to eat soil, don't like crowded conditions, are much larger, and live far deeper where it is dark and much cooler. Both types aerate the soil. For great compost don't add acidic fruit or vegetables scraps such as citrus, onion peel, but would you believe they love bread, exhausted coffee grounds (but not in a worm farm. Ed.), tea bags and pasta. Grass clippings, even hair is compostable along with black ink newsprint in moderation, dust from the vacuum, and dismantled corrugated cardboard is acceptable. Crushed eggshells add calcium, the smaller the ingredients the better and not too much too often. It is best to wait until most of the last injection of products/foodstuff has vanished before adding more. So, although the rain hinders our gardening there is much activity out there every day silently going about the business of looking after our much-loved patch.

Janice Light



Events to look forward to

When	What	How Much?
Thursday, 30 th June 2022	Yulefest lunch at Grand View Hotel arrive at 12:00 for 12:30	Book now Two Course Christmas Meal \$55.00
Wednesday, 14 th September 2022	<i>Mayfield Garden Bus Trip</i>	Register expression of interest (approx. \$30) Payment July Meeting
Wednesday, 5 th October 2022	Mystery Garden Ramble	Register expression of interest (\$18)
Thursday 8 th December 2022	Christmas Lunch	T.B.A.

TODAY'S SPEAKER IS SUE CARNEY



Sue is vice-president of Amateur Beekeepers Australia and editor of "The Amateur Beekeeper", the association's bi-monthly journal. Sue is a publishing professional with a lifelong fascination for bees. She is the founding president of Blue Mountains Beekeepers and keeps bees in Langstroth, Flow and Warre hives.

"Bees know it: cooperation and good communication are key."

Sue will be speaking on "Bees: Helping Us, Helping Them – Local and Global Issues".



Join us for Yulefest Lunch

at the Grand View Hotel

30th June 12:00 Yummy Christmas Fare

\$55.00 per head. [Book Now](#)

Treasurer's Summary April 2022

Opening Balance at 1st Apr	\$4,623.10
plus Monthly Income	\$592.45
minus Monthly Expenditure	\$956.30
Closing Balance at 30 th Apr	\$4,259.25

Next Meeting

9th June 2022

Guest speaker:

Judy Horton "Gardens of Australia and the World"

Hall set-up and pull down:

Volunteer Roster is empty!
To be filled at May Meeting.

WELFARE.

Everybody's OK this month!

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ALL Executive and Committee positions become vacant at the AGM in July 2022. All positions are open for nomination.

If you would like to contribute further to the effective operation 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. We 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.

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 for a 9:45 start and finish around noon. The library and plant stall are open before the meeting and at morning tea. \$5 entry fee.

Joining fee is \$35. Thereafter, annual subscription is \$25 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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