



Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc
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From the President.....

A new Garden Club year brings a few new faces to the committee. Many thanks to Anne, Ronah and Sed for putting your hands up to join us and welcome back to those members staying on.

Honourable mention must be given to those committee members who retired in June. Jane has given outstanding service in the catering department over many years and Karen has organized us all with rosters and has been a valuable member of the team on the Welcome Desk. Thank you Jane and Karen.

Celeste has been a very active President and made a huge contribution to the success of the club. She took on the role of Speaker Coordinator too and was instrumental in streamlining communications with speakers, formalized the floor plan for table setup and pull down at general meetings, had our new cupboard installed, got expert advice to help with running our PA System and chaired meetings with good humour while keeping us on track. Celeste's time and unflagging energy really made a difference and the new committee will do its best to continue where she has left off. Thank you Celeste.

So what's happening in your garden? It's raining on my garden as I write, so welcome, and the water tank is filling up at last. The galanthus are just gorgeous and camellias give so much winter colour. On my recent trip to the UK I was lucky enough to visit Chelsea and some wonderful gardens. Highgrove was an absolute pleasure and I encourage you to borrow our DVD from the Library to see what you are missing! Our guide was a garden designer and she had lots of tips. Vistas are the thing apparently, so the eye can focus and then take in the wider view. I've moved my sundial to the end of the side path and it is now a feature instead of just somewhere on the grass. Lots more ideas, just waiting for Spring. Happy gardening folks!

Carol

Club Tours and Functions

Tuesday, 29 th August	Tour Mahratta House, lunch Hornsby RSL and Lisgar Gardens on the way home. Mahratta is one of the finest Art Deco mansions in Sydney and one of the few remaining gardens designed by Paul Sorensen in the Sydney area. (Lunch at own expense). Full	9.30
Friday 15 th September	Train trip to visit Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden, Lavender Bay. Then café style lunch at own expense at Kirribilli Club, Milsons Point. Map & info available from Sharon. Tour finishes after lunch at Kirribilli Club.	See Sharon
14 September	Daffodil Garden Ramble will be held after the September meeting .	
Friday 27 th October	A visit to "Beautiful Bilpin and Mt Wilson Wonderland" BYO picnic lunch. Cost \$40.	9am
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Party at Wentworth Falls Country Club. <i>Please note this is not our usual Thursday meeting date.</i>	12noon

Guest Speaker Wyn Jones

We welcome Wyn to Garden Club today. His close lifetime links to the Blue Mountains ecosystems and their webs of life have made him an observer over many years of the changes which are occurring in our environment. He will speak to us about climate change and its effects on our gardens.

“A “man of the earth”, Wyn’s passion and conservation campaigns helped lead the Greater Blue Mountains Area to become inaugurated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2000. His many projects include “Earth Journeys”, an award winning “enviro-cultural” education schools programme introducing young people and “at risk” youth to natural life in the bush. Wyn shares a rare depth of passion and understanding which offers meaning to ourselves through our relationship with nature. He has organised many long distance bush walks and expresses his love for the Blue Mountains through photography, poetry and writing.

Blue Mountains World Heritage Institute website

The Leura Pre-Festival Group Tour for our club is being held on Tuesday 26th September. Cost \$30. Payment in today. Members only. Last chance. See Sharon and pay today.

Silent Auction

There will be lots of lovely books for sale at the **September** meeting. Bring some gold coins and see Merylyn in the Library to obtain a number and register your bid(s).

Membership renewal of \$20 due. New badges issued upon payment.

(If you joined after 1st January 2017, you are not required to pay renewal until July 2018.)

1) Please pay in **cash** OR

2) Remit electronically to our bank account: **BSB: 062 559 Account No: 2800 3852**

If paying electronically, please ensure your name is included with the remittance.

Next Meeting **14 September 2017**

Guest speaker:

Clinton Nesci, Bonsai expert from Ray Nesci Bonsai Nursery at Dural.

Bonsai: Gardening in miniature when there is always room for one more plant.

Hall set-up and pull-down:

Karen and Les Handicott

Morning tea:

Bev Turner and Adrienne Brown

Bring a plate:

Lea Nelson and Joanne Burgess

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. Meetings commence at 9.45am 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. For Club Welfare matters, please contact Lea Nelson Ph 4784 1101 or email leanelson@ozemail.com.au.

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