

Wentworth Falls Garden Club Inc.
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We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of this land: the Darug and Gundungurra people.

From the Vice-President.....

At the time of writing, our President, Carol, has safely arrived at her sister's in the UK, and by now may have already commenced her travels in the Northern Hemisphere. Meanwhile at home here in the Blue Mountains, we are well into one of our favourite seasons of autumn with its beautiful colours, and the resultant influx of visitors to our area.

The cooler season also brings opportunities to get out and about, and many were recently able to enjoy the second annual weekend of the Edible Garden Trail in the Mountains. Thanks to our member, Susanne Rix, for that. As a club, we will also be making our way to the Collectors Plant Fair in early April. While the bus is already full, others can go independently to Clarendon by car for what is always a great day. Thanks again to Blue and Sharon for organising it again this year!

Our club continues to grow and we had 5 new members join during February, from 16 visitors attending, and our total membership now stands at 132. We welcome any of you attending for the first time today and invite you to consider joining our club. If you want to first "try us out", our constitution allows you to come on 3 occasions as visitors before formally asking you (for insurance reasons) to join us as members.

Elsewhere you will read a notice regarding our upcoming AGM in July and that there will be a couple of vacancies on committee to be filled as a result of members retiring. Please consider what role you can play in this active, well-run club. Nomination forms will be available from next month's meeting.

Finally, I urge you to take the opportunity to keep informed by checking out our website, www.wentworthfallsgardenclub.com, which is kept up to date and is able to answer many questions that you may have about the Club.

Good gardening,

Henry

**Our Guest Speaker today is Emmanuela (Manu) Prigioni
garden coordinator at the Lyttleton Stores, Lawson**

Manu will be talking about productive edible gardens and soil health.

Manu is a small-scale food grower with a background in Permaculture and regenerative agriculture. She is passionate about helping people grow food locally at a small scale throughout the Blue Mountains. Manu teaches most of the garden workshops at Lyttleton, manages their *Backyard Grower* system, and records all that goes on in the Garden on the Lyttleton garden blog.


Lyttleton Stores is a collective of people, combining their loves of organic home-grown food and artisan made craft ware.

www.lyttletonstores.com.au

Club Tours and Functions

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

Saturday 6 Apr Fully Booked	Collectors Plant Fair. Springwood Golf Club for lunch at own expense. Reasonably priced with a good range. Bus leaves 7:20am. Price \$25. Fully Booked
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 requirement. Drinks extra - to be paid for by credit card – no cash facilities on the day at the TAFE.
TBA	Gledswood Homestead & Winery details TBA.

 **Silent Auction next month** 

There will be a Silent Auction at the April Meeting.

Autumn has arrived! If you want to give your Autumn garden a boost with Merino Magic (sheep poo) please order this meeting. This will be your last opportunity until Spring. \$6 per bag (approx. 10kg), to be picked up from Leura. Place orders and pay Lea at the meeting today.

At the July Meeting, all Executive and Committee positions become vacant and 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. Two members, Anne and Vic, will be stepping down and we would invite you to consider nominating to join the committee and helping your club.

Next Meeting

11 April 2019

Guest speakers:

Christine and Piercarlo Cuneo from Birches Nursery, Lawson. Their topic will be Spring Bulbs and Greenhouses

Hall set-up and Pull down:

Barbara Fox and Duncan Leys

Morning tea

Martin Vaughan and Marlene Vaughan

Bring a plate

Chris Newland and Mary Kennedy

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 **name** is included with your remittance.

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