



**BUNDANOON GARDEN CLUB INC**  
**"Friendship Through Gardens"**  
**PO Box 25 Bundanoon 2578**

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month,  
9.30 for 10.00am

November 2015 Newsletter

From the President

*Our spring gardens have been magnificent this year. Perhaps it was all that late rain we received. Spectacular magnolias, followed by delicate blossom, beautiful japonica camellias and just lately, the opening of magnificent roses make a walk around the garden a daily delight.*

*Many of you, like me, would have enjoyed the fabulous gardens on display during this year's Garden Ramble fitting it in with volunteering duties at the gates. Many others propagated plants and donated them to our plant stall. A special thank you to Carlota and Diana for all their time and effort. Well done everyone and thank you for all you have contributed to the Ramble's success. I know it has been greatly appreciated by the Ramble committee and the BCA.*

*Christmas is fast approaching, and as usual the December meeting is replaced by our Garden Party. I hope many of you will be able to join us on the day.*

*I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members a very happy Christmas and all the best for 2016.*

Guest Speaker

*Our guest speaker this month is Susan Lewis who will demonstrate a different process for pressing flowers using a microwave oven. This quick method preserves the colour in the flowers. Some of you on the Goulburn garden trip a couple of years ago may have seen Susan's beautiful display of items made using this method.*



*This year Lofty York, a life member of our club, will open his garden at 3.00pm for the Christmas party. The garden is situated at 21 Ashgrove Place, Bundanoon and there is an abundance of level parking in the street.*

*As a sesquicentenary initiative, garden club member tickets are available at only \$10. Partners and friends are most welcome to join in the fun at the usual cost of \$20.*



3 Ways to Purchase Your Tickets

*\* Available at the November meeting*

*\*Send payments to The Treasurer, P O Box 25 Bundanoon 2578*

*\*Purchase on line using electronic transfer until 30 November as follows:*

*use your Name and the word Party*

*BSB: 802101 Account No:358047*

***We Hope to See You There***

President: Judy Andrews 48836898 email: [judyolivia1@gmail.com](mailto:judyolivia1@gmail.com);  
Vice-President: Patricia Varley 48837656; Secretary: Judith Myers 48837141;  
Newsletter Lyn Curry 48836510; Welfare: Julie-Ann New 48834532;  
Treasurer: Elaine Hills 48834925; Membership Secretary: Susan Davis 48837452;

## Notice Board



**Open Gardens to visit from November 2015 to February 2016**

**November 1 - Harper's Mansion, Berrima NSW – visit the garden and mansion \$5 – school students free, maze \$2 per person**

**Note: whilst this garden event will be over when you read this notice, group bookings can be arranged at other time**

**7 - Glenmore House, Glenmore, NSW**

**7/8/14/15/21/22/28/29 - Perennial Hill Mittagong NSW  
Free entry for garden club members wearing a badge**

**7/8 Nov / 16 Jan /Feb 20 - Wides Meadow Little Hartley NSW**

**28/29 - Eryldene Christmas Fair, 17 McIntosh Street Gordon 10am – 4pm**

**50 stallholders with jewellery, antiques, Christmas hampers, jams and preserves, cakes and puddings, silk ware, garden ornaments, plants, home wares, children's and women's clothing, toys, pearls and paper products. Special offer from the Garden Cafe complimentary tea/coffee and a Christmas treat for entry 1.00–3.00pm on Sunday.**

### December

**4 - Glenmore House**

### January/ February

**30/31 Jan and 27/29 Feb - Hillandale, Yetholme**

### Open Daily

**Barangaroo, Millers Point Sydney**

**Blue Mountains Botanical Garden Mt Tomah NSW**

**Campbell Rhododendron Gardens Blackheath NSW**

**Lilian Fraser Gardens Pennant Hills NSW**

**Wendy Whitely's Secret Garden, North Sydney NSW**

**Australian National Botanical Garden Canberra ACT**



### Morning Tea

**Bakers, sandwich makers, slice creators, we need you to bring a plate for Thursday's meeting.**

**Many thanks for your help**

### Garden Club Proposal

**Members please read and think about the following proposal which will be discussed at the November Meeting and voted on at the February meeting.**

**“That members pay a one off fee of \$20 for an annual subscription to the BGC at the beginning of the 2016 new year: this means there will be no hall entry at each meeting, except for visitors who will still pay \$2 to attend meetings.”**

### **LAST CHANCE FOR MEMBERS TO PURCHASE**

**GARDEN CLUBS OF AUSTRALIA**

**2016 CALENDAR COST: \$10**



**“OUR GARDENS” MAGAZINE COST: \$15**



**Packed with garden information and news of forthcoming garden highlights around NSW**

**4 MAGAZINES DELIVERED TO YOUR HOME**

**Note: orders with payment must be in  
at the November 5 meeting**

## *Me and My Garden*



*As Patrika walked through the garden surrounding the cottage she had come to inspect, she knew she had found her new home in Penrose! The cottage was built by Henrick Lund and he and his wife Susie lived there until its sale to Patrika in 2009. Henrick's skill as a builder and furniture maker is very evident in the beautiful built-in cabinetry and book cases throughout the living areas.*

*The pretty front garden provides peace and tranquillity under the canopy of ash, beech and silver birch trees and here too can be found irises, and interesting garden features. The garden has been planted with a wide variety of native plants to support bird life, insects and bees, with bottle brush, philotheca and waratahs clear favourites.*

*Little winding paths lead around the house and take you to the vegetable patches. One is covered so that Patrika is sure of harvesting some produce, while others she is happy to share with her garden friends! She is a member of the seed saver network located at the Moss Vale Community Garden and she is also saving seeds from her own garden. Curly's compost provides valuable nutrition to the veggie patch as composting in Penrose is slow. This Spring, Patrika hopes to pick a variety of delicious vegetables including lettuce, broad beans, beetroot, bok choy, egg plant, garlic, sugar snap peas and zucchini and the garden is ready for planting tomatoes. Herbs that add flavour to her cooking include parsley, rocket and basil.*

*Feathered friends that visit regularly include blue wrens, honey eaters, wattle birds, magpies, eastern rosellas, black birds, crimson rosellas, galahs, thrushes, pied currawongs, the eastern spinebill, sulphur crested cockatoos, the white winged chough as well as the wonga pigeon, which is usually found in the forest. Patrika always has her bird book at hand, ready to identify newcomers.*

*Patrika fits gardening in amongst her many other hobbies and interests. As well as Garden club, she is a member of the Bundanoon History Group and a Walking Group. On her creative side she is learning Italian, enjoys the Art Trail and reading. If there's any time left she might take in a movie and of course, like many of us, she enjoys good coffee. Thank you so much for a most enjoyable visit to your garden Patrika.*



*Book Sale on Thursday on the Trade Table*



## Gardening in November

### *In the Veggie Patch:*

\* plant beans, beetroot, corn, carrots, cucumber, pumpkin, radishes, silverbeet, spring onions, lettuce

\*support tall growing tomatoes and pinch off extra side shoots to encourage more fruit and keep watering well

\* water strawberries regularly and use snail pellets to deter snails and slugs or netting or wire for birds

### *In the Herb Garden:*

\*plant rocket, dill, basil, chives

\*keep watering well

### *Citrus Trees:*

\*deep watering is needed as the trees are setting their fruit for next season's crop

\*mulch well with hay or sugar cane mulch



### *Native Gardens:*

\*tip prune grevilleas

\*tidy up plants with a light prune

### *The Rose Garden:*

\*use liquid fertiliser frequently

\*control black spot or powdery mildew using rose gun or similar

### *Garden Plants:*

\*water well early morning or evening

\*mist spray wilting plants above and below foliage on very hot days

### *Lawns and Gardens:*

\*Control nuisance weeds such as onion weed with an appropriate weed killer – this may need to be done several times

Reference: Yates Gardening

## Friendship Gardens 7 November, 2015

10.30am to 1pm

**Gabi and Chris Downie**  
79 Railway Ave, Bundanoon

The Downies have been working very hard developing this lovely garden for four years. Gabi is a collector of exotic and native plants which have added to the existing wide variety in the garden. She says, "I would call myself a novice gardener but I love colour and want to encourage native birds to my garden. The edible garden is important to us both, so we have a good veggie and fruit crop including apples, plums and berries. I am learning all the time and delight in the beauty and bounty of my garden and am always astounded by how everything grows."

Parking: in Railway Ave. Those who cannot climb the steps can be dropped off at the back of house in the lane.



**Chris Bauer and Lynne Shailer**  
'Corinda Grange' Lot 1 Erith Street

This property was originally a dairy farm. For three years Chris and Lynne have developed the 20 acres, retaining the original home, transforming the old dairy into an artist studio for their daughter and another out building into a delightful B&B, 'Peony Cottage'. Some of the special features of the garden are beds of peonies, a huge Paddy's River gum, dogwoods, cherry trees, and conifers.

Parking: On site only, along short track. Please be aware of cars arriving/departing.



## Garden Maintenance Directory



If you are looking for assistance in your garden you may like to contact one the following:

**Kirsty Connelly:** 4883 6354 0449 274 339

**Courtney Whipp** 0422 525 620

**Michael Sutton** 0405 237 727

We hope to add to this directory, so if you can recommend other 'garden gurus', please let Judy know.

## Thank You

Thank You to the following local businesses who give a discount to our members:

**Highland Sand & Gravel:** 10% discount for goods ordered and paid for on meeting days.

**Bundanoon Bloomery:** 10% discount for plants, fertilisers and chemicals paid in cash at any time.

**Roses and Friends** Nowra Road, Fitzroy Falls

## Straw Bales For Sale

Charles Davison is selling very large bales of straw, all very fresh looking at \$15.00 a bale delivered to members.

If you are interested he can be contacted on this number - 0438 900 968



## Visit our website

[www.bundanoongardenclub.com.au](http://www.bundanoongardenclub.com.au)



## 2016 Kennedy Tours

### Autumn in the Monaro

Tuesday 26 April – Friday 29 April

Four historic gardens 'Bobundara' in Cooma; 'Erindale', nestled into the hills with views down the Tom Groggin Valley; 'Shirley', a parkland garden and 'Curry Flat'.



## 2016 Singapore Garden Festival

Saturday 23 July – Friday 29 July



For more information please see the notice board or consult Judy Andrews.



## Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Bundanoon Garden Club will be held on Thursday 4 February 2016