

Meeting held on: Thursday 6 April 2023
at: Exeter Hall
Commencing: 10 am

Welcome

The President, Ted Ayers, opened the meeting at 10.00 am acknowledging the Gundungurra people and paying respects to their elders.

Thanked members for travelling to Exeter as Soldier's Memorial Hall had been scheduled for re-roofing.

Apologies

Alison Trotter, Di Curtis

Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on March 1, 2023 were accepted.

Proposed: George Williams Seconded: Laurel Hones

Correspondence

In:

BCA – Update on Re-roofing of Soldier's Memorial Hall
Annesley, Bowral – Invitation to see Gardens, hear about the village, M. or A. Tea
Toronto and District GC – Hosting Annual GCA Conference – Information for attending
SHBG – Autumn Fair

Treasurers Report

Alison Trotter advised that the club held funds of \$15, 600 with Membership Renewals contributing to the increased reserves

Presidents Report

Ted Ayers welcomed the new members of the Committee, Penny Baker, Virginia Fitzgerald and Johnathan Murray.

Ted shared images of autumn in his garden – Autumn Joy sedum, roses, plectranthus and salvia. Rita Gilroy's brought a beautiful arrangement of autumn flowers from her garden. With salvias a rewarding plant for Bundanoon gardens, Virginia Fitzpatrick offered to find a speaker for a future meeting.

Spring dinner 2022 was very successful and an Autumn Dinner to be held on 26 May. Al a carte with 10% discount. Booked out quickly last year.

Our first Gardenoon was a great success, thanks to Susan Grey for the initiative. Invited members to host or join a Gardenoon.

Friendship Gardens

David Humphrey emphasised the importance of the Newsletter as a source of information on club activities.

A wonderful time at "Allways" for the March Friendship Gardens. Thank you to everyone who came and shared an impressive range of food, most of which vanished. No Friendship Gardens in April due to Easter.

Saturday 6 May a visit to Susie Dowsett's garden. Coronation festivities start at 6pm our time.

Now autumn is with us, David reminded members of the Autumn Photo Competition.

Town Gardens

Ted Ayers provided details of the Working Bee on Thursday 20 @9am to prepare gardens for Anzac Day.

Workshops

Ted introduced Penny Baker who is now co-ordinating club Workshops. Penny invited members to contact her with any suggestions. Already suggested – Beginner's Workshop and Indigenous Landcare.

Ted welcomed the 6 new members at the meeting.

Morning tea

Guest Speaker

George Williams spoke about Bonsai and Female Australian Botanists

Conclusion

Laurel Hones presented Laurel's Laughs.

Raffle drawn.

Meeting closed at: 12:00 pm

Next Meeting: 4 May, Soldier's Memorial Hall 9:30am for 10am start.