

Meeting held on: Thursday 6 May
at: Soldier's Memorial Hall
Commencing: 10 am

Welcome

The President, Ted Ayers, opened the meeting at 10.00 am with an acknowledgement of country and welcomed members, new members and guests.

Apologies

Robin Coombes, Bruce Marshall, Deb Everard, Kerrin McInerney

Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the meeting on 1 April 2021 accepted. Proposed: Laurel Holmes. Seconded: Carlie Gould

Correspondence

Correspondence In:

Advice of Insurance renewal from GCA

Request from Killcare Garden Club to meet members and visit gardens in Bundanoon

Request from the Bundanoon RSL Sub-branch to assist in replanting their gardens

Information about the GCA Conference in Townsville 12-16 Sept

Invitation from WSC to join in the ReGrow Wingicarabee Workshop at Bundanoon Public School

Correspondence Out

Letter to BCA requesting WiFi access in the hall

Invitation to the Interim Administrator at council to attend the replanting of trees in the garden of Memories

Email to WSC re progress on watering system for the Nancy Kingsbury Park

Treasurers Report

Trish Badami noted that though expenses exceeded income in the last month the club has a current balance of \$14,321. Wingecarabee Council will be paying the grant money for the costs of tree removal and replanting in the Garden of Memories

Cash Flow Summary for April 2021

Opening Balance:	\$15,945.91
Income:	\$ 560.97
Expenditure:	\$ 2365.06
Closing Balance:	\$ 14,141.14
50th Anniversary Account	\$ 0
Petty Cash	\$135.00
Float for Trade Table	\$45.00
Total Funds held as at 21/1/2021	\$14,321.14

Ted Ayers outlined plans for a combined Christmas Party and celebration of 50 years using 'excess' club funds which would be catered and free to members. Suggestion received spontaneous applause from the audience. Committee is working on the details.

Presidents Report

The President outlined recent events attended by members. The Biannual Seminar hosted by the Bowral Club with Michael from Telopea Tools and Judy Horton. Michael will be speaking about pruning at a club meeting and will be selling tools – Hori Hori and HoMi! The recent Southern Highlands Botanic Gardens Autumn Fair included 5 spectacular gardens perhaps the busiest was Carlie and Bruce Gould's Morton Views. Ted also shared images of gardeners on World Naked Gardening Day.

Ted encouraged members to propagate plants for our Trade table as we seek to build u funds after last year. Seeds and tubers will be available at the Southern Highlands Flower Farm this weekend, weather permitting.

Library and Trade Table

Volunteers needed for the Library. Plants etc needed for the Trade Table.

Town Gardens

Ted Ayers thanked the twenty people who came along to the two working bees to prune, plant and weed the town gardens in preparation for ANZAC day and opening of the Heritage Trail.

Our club is combining with the Uniting Church congregation for a Tree Planting Ceremony on June 20, Council representatives have been invited. A 'Muscle and Mattocks' Day will be held on Tuesday 18 to prepare for the planting. Members to RSVP by 13 May

Friendship Gardens

David Humphrey in organising the Friendship Gardens for this month had been impressed by what lovely people they had been to work with. Jen Foster and her incredible achievements at the flower farm, the generosity of John and Kay Hines and true plantswoman Pam Tippet. With Friendship Gardens in abeyance until September, David sought photos and articles to fill the space in the Club Newsletter.

Guest Speakers

Exercise for Gardeners

Ted Ayers interviewed Tina Pollard who runs classes for both men and women. Tina encouraged gardeners to be mindful when gardening, not to do repetitive motions ffor too long and 'bend the kneez'.

Composting

Phoebe Ward spoke about different composting methods and how to successfully 'hot compost'. Council makes available worm farms and composting bins at reduced prices through [Compost Revolution](#)

The Potting Shed

Faye Dillon demonstrated how to make a handy scoop from an orange juice or milk bottle. Though Ted and Faye differed on the shape of the scoop – flat or pointed.

Meeting closed at 11:45.

Next Meeting: 3 June Soldier's Memorial Hall commencing at 10am