

Meeting held on: Thursday 7 April 2022
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

Deb and John Everard, Susann Crase, Jane Schauer

## Presidents Report

The April meeting had returned to the Hall due to the return of the rain. Harper's Mansion is suffering from all the wet weather and our visit has been postponed to Sept/Oct. Our thoughts are with the people in Lismore who are facing a second round of flooding.

Ted presented photos of his garden where the Camellias are flowering with more to comewhile the wind flowers are at an end. Plectranthus, initially given to him by John Pryce Jones, has been propagated and was flowering throughout the garden.

Ted encouraged members to take cuttings and propagate plants for the Trade table and send photos of the flowers in their garden.

A sign to be erected in Garden of Memories to recognise that the club is maintaining the gardens.

## Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the meeting on 3 March 2022 accepted.

Proposed: Laurel Hones                      Seconded: Jan Longton

## Correspondence

Garden Clubs of Australia – Treebelee encouraging clubs to plant trees as part of the Queens Platinum Jubilee, the BCA is also seeking funding supported by the Garden Club.

NSW Rose Society – Rose Show by the Sea – schedule and details on the Notice Board

Southern Highlands Plant Fair – volunteers needed for the club's membership stall

## Treasurers Report

Alison Trotter presented the Financial Report for March, the balance is \$14423.01.

## May Meeting

Our speaker in May will be Di van Gaal from Antonia's Irises who will also have rare bearded iris rhizomes for sale.

Friendship gardens for May have been cancelled due to the extreme wet weather.

### **Restart the Heart**

Andy Carnahan, BCA President, spoke about Call-Push-Start and Restart the Heart Defibrillators. One is installed in the Hall. The machine guides people in resuscitating someone who has had a heart attack. Courses were available to learn how to use the machine.

Andy also encouraged members to download the Emergency Plus App.

### **Chook House**

Tessa Spencer presented some photos of the building of a new chook house in her garden.

*Morning tea*

### **Guest Speaker**

Graeme Whisker shared his knowledge of conifers and the how he had used conifers in developing his garden.

The Raffle draw and Laurel's laughs ended the meeting.

Meeting closed at: 11:45.

Next Meeting: 5 May, Soldier's Memorial Hall commencing at 10am