

Meeting held on: Thursday 5 May 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

Richard Paddle, Di Curtis

## Presidents Report

April was a busy month. Thank you all those who came along to the working bee to help prepare the Southern villages War memorial for ANZAC day. The RSL Sub Branch extended a huge thanks to Laurel Homes and her helpers. The Garden of Memories also benefitted from lots of attention. At the next working bee, Thursday 19 May, planting of some oak leaf hydrangeas. Morning Tea to follow.

On behalf of the Club, Ted Ayers placed a wreath of seasonal flowers at the ANZAC Day Service.

The Plant Fair at the Southern Highlands Botanical Gardens did not attract a lot of visitors to our stall but it was a fantastic opportunity to network with other groups. Ted was able to secure three speakers for future meetings.

Ted outlined workshops planned for upcoming months including separating perennials, shaping trees and pruning roses. Booking will be through Trybooking. An away adventure, possibly to Tulip Top, is also being planned.

## Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the meeting on 7 April 2022 accepted.

Proposed: Jan Longton

Seconded: John Hines

## Correspondence

Correspondence In:

Letter from the NSW Floral Art Assoc regarding their Floral Design Competition and Demonstrations Friday 20 May and Saturday 21 May 2022 at Mittagong R.S.L.

Correspondence out:

Letter to the BCA in support of their application for a grant for planting trees in honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

## Treasurers Report

Alison Trotter presented the Financial Report for April. With \$796 received, mostly for membership renewal, the club has \$15,100.36 in the bank.

### **May Meeting**

Our speaker in June will be Gene Powell, Registrar of Camellias Australia.

### **Other business**

Marianne Ward shared details of the History group's visit to Berrima Museum to see the Exhibition on Gardens of the Southern Highlands, recommending a visit by the Garden Club. Unfortunately the club's visit had been cancelled when the visit to Harper's Mansion could not go ahead.

*Morning tea*

### **Guest Speaker**

Dianna and Allen from Antonia's Irises gave an interesting and informative presentation on their journey creating Antonia's Irises and provided lots of hints and information on growing irises.

A QandA session was held before the Raffle draw and Laurel's laughs ended the meeting.

Meeting closed at: 11:45.

Next Meeting: 2 June 2022, Soldier's Memorial Hall commencing at 10am