

Meeting held on: Thursday 5 February 2026

at: Soldiers Memorial Hall, Bundanoon

commencing: 10:00 am

Minutes

Welcome

The President, Penny Baker opened the Meeting at 10am acknowledging the Gundungurra people and paying respects to the elders

Five new members

Apologies

Di Curtis, Lyn York

Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting on 6 November 2025 were accepted.

Proposed: Jan Longton Seconded: Maria Marks

Correspondence

In:

- Christmas Party arrangements
- BGC meetings in hall - confirmation of hiring of hall in Nov but not Dec + confirmation of bookings for 2026
- In:
- Veolia Mulwaree Trust's first funding round of 2026
- Neutrog - list of orders being prepared for delivery
- Invoice for hall hire
- Bundanoon History Group - thank you for \$250 donation for sign for Federation Tree planting commemoration
- GCA - November bulletin
- HARTLEY VALLEY GARDEN FESTIVAL AND PLANT FAIR notice - will be held MARCH 7 & 8, 2026
- Brickworks Seedlings - notice of sale dates
- Mailchimp - change of plans
- member suggestion for new library book Safer Gardens Plant Flammability & Planning for Fire By: Lesley Corbett
- BCA notice of Jordan's Crossing dates for submission of articles
- Request from Brigadoon seeking repeating sponsorship for 2026

Out:

- Uniting Church - requesting further detail on 'Lease' arrangements (Garden of Memories is still available to visit)
- NKP Management plan sent to Council for agreement

- Dahlia Society requesting update on availability of recording of Zoom meetings
- Club newsletter
- What's Happening

Treasurer's Report

• Starting Balance	\$ 13,536
• Income	\$ 64
• Expenses	\$ 333
• Petty Cash	\$ 186
• Balance at end July	\$ 13,453

President's (Penny) Report:

- Penny reminded members that the morning tea team still need a 3rd person to volunteer for set up.
- Morning tea food to change to member's roster - 5 members per month to bring cake/biscuits
- Reminders listed in newsletter, not by email.
- New Librarian- Andrea Burns as of March 2026 meeting.
- Call for a new member to join the committee.
- Photo comp winner photos shown.
- Slide show of member's garden photos
- Cancer Treatment Centre Bowral petition available to sign on notice board.
- Danita Phelan spoke about Bundanoon Feasts-community dinner f(or Refugee Centre in Melbourne) fundraiser, 7th Mach 2026, and requested members to supply floral centrepieces for tables. Tessa Spencer to organise donations of flowers/greenery from 5pm.
- Friendship Garden- Nerida Little's garden on Penrose Road Bundanoon between 10-12pm
- Request from David Humphrey for newsletter articles from members.
- P&C Fundraiser Tessaller Bulbs Order Forms available next meeting

Guest Speakers

David Humphrey- The Veggie Patch Year

- David uses compost, mulch, blood&bone, manure and lime to keep ph at 6-7
- David grows brassicas, leeks, potatoes, asparagus, beans, onions , peas, carrots
- Favourite tool- the swoe- swan-necked hoe, now available in Australia from Wolf Gardens.

Ron Keir- Planning and Planting Bulbs-Slideshow

- Nature produces early-season flowers via bulbs for pollinators.
- Buy bulbs in Jan to March. Tesseller/Garden Express
- Plant between Easter and Anzac Day for spring display

- Early/Mid/Late Plantings of varieties to suit
- Leave strappy leaves on till November

Q & A

1. Pruning hydrangeas and type? Mop head, paniculate, oak leaf. Cut back stem that has bloomed, end of winter. Don't cut back oakleaf too hard as they bloom on old wood.

2. How to keep plants safe from rabbits? Cages, blood and bone, dynamic lifter. Penny suggested we get in speaker from the Lands Dept for advice.

3. Rats- anyone else have problems?-No answer

4. Shrimp-like grub? No answer

Raffle

Drawn by Ron Keir

Next meeting:

Thursday 5 March 2026 Soldier's Memorial Hall 9:30 for 10am start

This meeting closed 12:00pm