

BRAIDWOOD GARDEN CLUB

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CEMETERY GARDEN

At the cemetery in Cowper Street there is a lovely stone wall and seat with a small garden of roses, edged with lavender. It is a very peaceful spot for visiting relatives and friends to sit.

The garden was designed by Kate Chinnick, one of our members. Recently, a group of us, Margaret Royds, Pat Maher, Suzi Jarvis, Lyn Ellis, Sue Murray, Cecily Bisset and Sally Thackway weeded, pruned and tidied the garden and it looks lovely.

So, if you have time to take a moment or two, visit into the cemetery and sit on the seat and admire the view across to Mount Gillamatong!

CEMETARY WORKING BEE

Some orange secateurs were left at the Old Cemetery working bee and two pot plants in a box were left on the curb this evening labelled Lois. Margaret Royds has them in safekeeping.

Information on Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER 22nd Saturday

'Open Gardens Visit'
As this sadly will be the last season to visit open gardens under the "Open Gardens Australia" scheme, we thought a bus trip to visit the 5 lovely local gardens open would be very worthwhile. Due to the Quilt Weekend & the busy traffic congestion expected near the park, we plan to meet outside the Court House, in Braidwood, at 9am and carpool to Lake Bathurst to visit "Bongalabi".

We then travel to "Werriwa" (about 9kms from Bungendore). Here you can either enjoy your BYO picnic lunch or buy lunch.

From here we visit "Piccolo" in Bungendore, leaving at approx. 2.15pm to return to Braidwood and visit the 2 gardens open on the Nerriga Road, 'Brimar' and 'Mikabill'.

Each garden entry costs \$8, and it can be optional how many you choose to visit. Could you please let Sue Tuisk (48494505) know if you will be coming so a car pool can be organised. Thankyou.

NOVEMBER 22nd – 23rd Open Garden

One of our members, Marilyn Carle, is opening her garden, 'Brimar' 9455 Nerriga Rd, over the Quilt weekend on Nov 22nd & 23rd. Marilyn has asked the Garden Club if we could hold a plant stall & help provide morning and afternoon tea on each day with money raised going to the Hospital Auxiliary, a very worthy cause. The Auxiliary is a volunteer organization consisting of a small group of people who raise funds to help provide the hospital with much needed equipment. The Auxiliary will be providing and serving the morning and afternoon tea on each day, but being such a small group, any other help they can get will be much appreciated. Sally will organize a roster for Saturday and Jill and Frank Judge will organize Sunday. Please give Sally a ring on 4842 2808 for Saturday or Jill 4842 8166 for Sunday.

If you are potting up plants and/or cooking for the hospital auxiliary stall, please ring Sally 48422808 to arrange collection of same. Many thanks.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

A gentle nudge from the treasurer...

If you've forgotten to pay your dues for 2014-15(\$15) you can do so at the Bendigo Bank (Braidwood) by 15th November. They have a member list with those who have paid already checked off so it's easy enough to check if you've forgotten whether you've paid or not. As we do not want to lose you & have you miss our wonderful program of garden visits, don't forget as the newsletter will not arrive in your INBOX next month if your membership dues have not been paid. Also if you know of anyone who would like to join us, the bank has some membership forms. There is also a \$5 fee for 'snail mail' postage of the newsletter, if you need it, so add that at the bank too. Alternatively you can mail a cheque to the Garden Club, c/o Fran Woods, PO Box 423, Braidwood 2622.

We'd love to have you with us next year!!!

NAME TAGS

For those members who would like to order a Garden Club name tag with the beautiful waratah emblem, could you please email Shauna on

moses@netspeed.com.au or phone her on 4842 2230.

EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

Do you have an email address that we can add to our list? It saves on postage and means you get other advice about gardening activities too late for inclusion in the Newsletter.



PLANT OF THE

MONTH by

Kate Chinnick

HOSTA

(Plantain Lily)

- Native to Asia
- Perennial, dying down in winter
- Come in various sizes and leaf colours
- Yellow and variegated leaf varieties prefer morning sun
- Fully hardy
- Part shade to full shade suits them
- Prefers fertile, moist soil, sheltered from hot winds
- Blue to mauve flowers in summer
- Propagate from division in spring
- Protect from snails and slugs
- Effective if grown in pots

What to do in the garden for November

- Deadhead annuals for longer flowering
- Prepare beds for summer and autumn annuals
- Continue to tie and pick Sweet Peas
- Tall Bearded Iris can be divided if congested
- Trim evergreen shrubs and hedges
- Check Roses for insect or fungal problems
- Deadhead Roses regularly
- Seedlings of Beetroot, Cabbage, Cucumber, Melons, Pumpkin, Sweet Corn and Zucchini can be planted
- Tomato seedlings can be planted now (plant deeply for better roots, keep frost covers handy in case!)
- Remove finished winter crops
- Remove weeds before they seed

UPCOMING EVENTS cont.

DECEMBER Thursday 11th

From Leonie Jolley -. Keep the 11th December free for the Garden Club Christmas party to be held at my place (76 Canowindra Park). Details to come in the next newsletter.

FEBRUARY Thursday 19th 2015

The Garden Club is planning a trip to the Peter Crisp Glass Gallery & beautiful gardens, Hume Hwy, Bowning, on the Thursday 19th February 2015 and also perhaps a visit to the historic Cooma Cottage. There may also be a chance to visit some local gardens but we will have more information in later newsletters when planning firms up.

MAILBOX

NOVEMBER 1st & 2nd

Braidwood Open Gardens - 1st & 2nd November 2014 – 10am to 4pm

Entry fee – Adults \$5 per garden, under 18s free. A fundraiser for the not-for-profit Braidwood Preschool

Come and see four amazing gardens in the picturesque town of Braidwood, each showcasing a unique part

of the town's rich history:

<http://braidwoodgardens.com.au>

NOVEMBER Sunday 2nd 10am-3pm

The Garden Fair at Riversdale, Goulburn will feature local producers, plant growers, garden sculpture and accessories, and house tours.

This National Trust property is the only surviving building of the 'Old Township' of Goulburn as sited by Governor Macquarie. It is renowned for its collection of fine Australian Colonial furniture, arts and craft, and for its garden.

NOVEMBER Sunday 16th

National Trust. Garden and Plant Fair, Sunday 16 November at Harper's Mansion, Berrima.

There is an open invitation to Harpers Mansion at Berrima on Sunday 16th November 10.30am-4pm for

the opening of the Heritage Rose garden. There will be 2 guest speakers on heritage roses. Adults \$5.00.

<http://harpersmansion.com.au/home>

NOVEMBER Saturday 15th

Braidwood District Garden Competition

www.landmarkbraidwood.com.au

MARCH 14th & 15th 2015

Goulburn Rose Festival 2015

www.goulburnrosefestival.org.au

MARCH Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd 2015

Just a friendly reminder about the Plant Fair at Lanyon Homestead in March 2015. If you're looking for a

terrific event, now is the time to get organised!

Time: 10am – 4pm

Date: Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 March, 2015

Venue: Lanyon Homestead, Tharwa Drive, Tharwa

Entry: \$10 including walks and talks, exhibitions and children's activities

2015 MAY 5th – 24th

Garden History & Landscapes Tour From Nice to Paris. May 5th –24th. Shauna has Brochures.

Robertson Open Gardens Visit

Fifteen members travelled to Robertson on 11th October for the Spring Festival Open Gardens on display in and around the town. The five gardens visited were all very different, from carefully managed, highly pruned gardens, to wilder, more natural environments.

Bundaleer had elements of both types of gardens, with a huge Leylandii hedged avenue opening to rolling lawns, views across the very green open countryside, and a walk through remnant rainforest. **The Garden** and **The Willows** were very different – the first sunny and carefully pruned, with hedges of many different plants, and a strong sense of design. **The Willows** felt very old and rambling – a shady garden to wander through, past enormous, wonderful camellias and many old trees, to an amazing bonsai collection.

Out of town were two stunning gardens, again very different. In both, expansive views of the surrounding hills and valleys made the landscape part of the garden design. **The Moorings** combined clipped foliage with collections of camellias, conifers, roses, hydrangeas, a vegetable garden and small orchard, with a small lake and summerhouse.

The last garden visited, **Lynwood Farm**, unfolded as you walked further into it. Open lawns and many remnant trees led to drystone walls with views across the hills. A wonderful English garden included several cottages, a hornbeam and linden walk, a rose terrace, espaliered fruit trees, a herb garden, vegetables, an orchard and amazing rock walls. Blue and white plants of all descriptions dominated this area.

After a long day we had a quick coffee before returning home. As Fran, our treasurer and chief photographer said, “I came home full to the brim of colour, brightness and amazing gardens. What a surfeit of beauty.”

Do check out Fran’s website with the photos from our last 2 garden visits (25th Sep and 11th Oct) . They are really beautiful & we thank Fran for all her photographic skills.

<http://hope-today.org/garden-photo-album/>

IN MY GARDEN

Richard finished my new garden area and I am in the process of planting it out. He is presently working on a wall to be completed for Xmas.

My latest acquisitions are three crab apple and a horsechestnut tree.

In the vegetable patch the peas have yet to flower but the broadbeans are growing well along with some spinach, carrots beetroot, beans and radishes.

Tomatoes, capsicum and zucchini have just been put in so cross fingers a late frost doesn’t get them.

Regards Leonie Jolley.