

BRAIDWOOD GARDEN CLUB

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UPCOMING GARDEN CLUB EVENTS

FEBRUARY Thursday 11th

The first outing for 2016 is on Feb 11th. We'll visit some gardens in and close to Braidwood, so it won't be a long day. We'll meet at 10am at Ryrie park, where people can carpool if they wish, then on to Leonie and Richard Jolley's garden on the Araluen Rd for morning tea. After that, we will visit Jane Moore's garden. This is a new garden in Hassall Circuit.

We will then have lunch in the shade of the beautiful mature trees in Cecily Bisset's garden on Glenmore Rd. Cecily's house is an early Braidwood home, with an extensive garden.

Details of locations will be provided on the day and all are easy to find and close to town.

It's the turn of those with surnames from N-Z to provide morning tea. BYO lunch. Tea and coffee will be available at Leonie and Cecily's homes.

Come & join us for our first garden event for 2016.

MARCH Saturday 12th/Sunday 13th

For our March outing, a visit to the Lanyon Plant Fair outside Canberra is proposed. This is on the weekend of March 12th - 13th. More information is available in the flyer recently emailed to members.

"Lanyon is an historic homestead with beautiful surrounding gardens providing a wonderful setting for the Fair, which will be open each day 10am to 4pm.

Visitors to the Fair will be able to purchase the very best of plants, many rare and unusual, directly from the growers. Over 30 interstate and local stallholders will have everything from bulbs to trees, natives to exotics – plus garden art, international garden tours, gardening books and top quality garden tools for sale.

Enjoy talks and demonstrations by garden specialists, Lanyon tours and food stalls plus a program of special children's activities. Also on site there will be an ATM, a plant crèche, and plenty of free parking.

There'll be lots happening to keep the whole family happy across the weekend of the Plant Fair!"

Before deciding whether to hire a bus for the day, we need an indication of how many members are interested in going, and an indication of your preferred day - Saturday or Sunday. The entry cost is \$9 each for BGC group members. We will carpool if the numbers aren't enough for a bus. Please contact the club by return email, or by phoning Sue Murray or Sally Thackway to register your interest in this outing ASAP. This will be a lovely day with lots to see, and many unusual plants on display and for sale.

FUTURE DATES

We are currently planning for our visit to Canberra, which was postponed last November due to heavy rain. More details will be provided in the next newsletter.

Report Of The 2015 Christmas Lunch on 10th December

It seems a long time ago now but over 40 members enjoyed an appetising & bounteous lunch provided by Vanessa of Vanilla Catering. We thank Robyn Sim & Cecily Bisset for running the informative & very challenging plant quiz with the plants all from Robyn's garden. Thanks also to Marilyn Carle who judged the "prettiest posy" competition, won appropriately by our president Sue Murray. Grateful thanks to everyone who helped with organising a wonderful end of year event & to our great committee, many thanks.

FROM THE MAILBOX for your information

FEBRUARY Tuesday 23rd

Invitation From The President, Goulburn & Argyle Garden Club

An invitation is extended to members of your Garden Club to attend Goulburn Argyle Garden Club's friendship meeting to be held at **10am Tuesday 23rd February 2016 at the Goulburn RSL Club.**

Our guest speaker will be Robert Hughes from Goulburn Mulwaree Council. A morning tea will be served.

For catering purposes please RSVP by 16th February.

Kind regards

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MY OPEN GARDENS

Check out this site for more open garden information.

<http://www.myopengarden.com.au>

LOCAL SHOW DATES 2016

Braidwood Show : 5th March

Bungendore Show : 31st January

Tarago Show : 13th March

Goulburn Show : Show cancelled due to a clash of dates at the showground

Queanbeyan Show : Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th November

REQUEST FOR HELP

There has been a request for an ACT Garden Club group to stop at a local Braidwood garden for morning tea on Wednesday 17th February as they travel on their way to coastal gardens. If anyone could volunteer their garden, we would put you in contact. Please phone Marilyn Carle on 4842 1096 if you can help.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Val Thompson, Fran Holloway & Ken Reid

PLANT OF THE MONTH

by Kate Chinnick



**Lychnis x
arkwrightii**
"Vesuvius"

- A garden hybrid from northern temperate regions
- Clump forming short lived perennial
- Grows to 45cm high and 30cm wide
- Leaves are lance shaped, hairy and coloured purple
- Prefers sun or half shade in well drained soil
- Spikes of scarlet - orange flowers in summer
- Good as a contrast plant in borders
- Will self seed if not dead headed
- Propagate from division or basal cuttings in Spring
- common name "Arkwright champion"
- Good cut flower

What to do in the garden for February

- Lift Tulips and Dutch Iris for storage in a cool dry place
- Tie Dahlias and tall Chrysanthemums
- Dead head Rhododendrons, Camелиas and Azaleas, mulch and feed
- Sow seeds of annuals for planting out in April
- This humid weather promoted black spot - spray if necessary
- Remove weeds before they seed
- Obtain spring flowering bulbs
- Sow seeds of Asian Greens, Radish , Spinach and Turnips
- Remove vegetable plants as they finish cropping
- Apply liquid fertilizer fortnightly to vegetables
- Remove excess growth from Apples and Pears
- Trim Lavender and Rosemary
- Take semi hardwood cuttings and keep moist