

## **BRAIDWOOD GARDEN CLUB**

**Minutes of meeting held on 22 September 2020**

### **at Braidwood Servicemen's Club**

1. Meeting Commenced: 10:09am
2. Present: John Tuckwell, Fran Woods, Jennie Marston (via Zoom), Margy Gardner, Amanda Scott, Charmian Thomas, Chris James, Rosemary De Martin, Bronwyn Johnson, Jane Moore, Leonie Jolley  
Apologies: Nil
3. **Previous Minutes:** The minutes were adopted  
Moved: Fran Woods Seconded: Margy Gardner
4. **Business Arising:** Discount at Braidwood Rural: Chris has spoken to the new manager at Braidwood Rural, who was not fully aware of the discount deal. John will speak to him and supply the current membership list.
5. **Correspondence:**  
In: Emails: (i) Landtasia to John Tuckwell (JT); (ii) Mona to JT; (iii) Jill Collier re membership; (iv) NSW Floral Art Association re competition at Mittagong.  
Garden Clubs of Australia: (i) GCA bulletin; (ii) GCA newsletter; (iii) Calendar order form; (iv) AGM reminder.  
Out: Emails – (i) JT to Alison Stutchbury re Christmas party; (ii) JT to Landtasia; (iii) JT to Mona; (iv) JT to Braidwood Rural; (v) JT to Jill Collier; (vi) JT to Kate Chinnick; (vii) Several emails re bus trip; (viii) Emails to people who attended the bus trip, but hadn't paid their membership fees. Snail Mail: thank you cards to Merribee and Shoalhaven Heads Botanical Gardens.
6. **Treasurer's Report:**  
Opening balance \$4887.90. Income \$1716; expenditure \$517.69; profit \$1198.31 Closing balance \$6070.21. Membership: currently we have 73 members. 4 of last year's members were emailed as it was thought they had gone on the bus trip without renewing their membership. Sue Tuisk and Chris James both thought they had a complimentary membership after hosting events. It was decided that the register of members should include a notation of life membership and annual free membership. Chris suggested an expiry date should be put on the free membership form when it is presented.
7. **Newsletter:**  
Bronwyn has done two articles for the newsletter; Amanda will do a report on the trip to Merribee. Fran to write a report on battery operated secateurs for a future newsletter.
8. **Publicity:**  
Jennie has sent two potential versions of the brochure in sizes DL and A5 with the program for the next few months on the back. The committee felt that DL would be best. Further changes made to the text of the brochure and Jane to scan and email changes to Jennie. Changing Times have been sent an article on our last visit, which will be out tomorrow. The GCA newsletter contains information on our July meeting and our 40<sup>th</sup> birthday party.

## 9. Past Activities:

*10 September 2020 – bus trip to the Coast*

It was agreed by all that this was an excellent bus trip. Thank you very much to Amanda for arranging it.

## 10. Future Activities:

### a. *8 October 2020 – Majors Creek gardens - Chris*

Due to COVID 19 numbers will have to be restricted to 40; these will be divided into 2 groups. The first group will visit Fran's garden, followed by Long Flat for morning tea, and lunch at Chris's garden. The second group will have morning tea at Chris's garden, then to Fran's then lunch at Long Flat. Members will need to register for the day by emailing [braidwoodgardeclub@gmail.com](mailto:braidwoodgardeclub@gmail.com) and will also need to leave their mobile number. Limit of 40 members, then a waiting list. To meet at Ryrie Park at 10am, bring own morning tea and lunch, tea and coffee will be provided. Chris will make up maps for each group.

### b. *12 November 2020 – Mongarlowe gardens – Charmian*

The current plan is to have morning tea at Donna Rickets, lunch at Karen Hansby and to visit Tim Wimbourne after lunch. This may have to be changed into two groups if current COVID 19 restriction of 20 guests per garden doesn't change. Charmian will contact Donna, Karen and Tim to discuss this.

### c. *10 December 2020 – Christmas Party*

Sue is allowed 26 people in the function room, so other tables will have to be on the veranda. John will visit Palerang with Alison Stutchbury to work put the details. Under current COVID19 rules buffet lunches are not allowed. The alternative is for the committee to wait on tables, or to hire wait staff. The committee is happy to wait on tables. The committee will decorate the tables, Rosemary and Bronwyn will be quiz masters, and a plant swap table will be put up.

### e. *11 February 2021 – Catherine Watson – John*

Nothing new

### f. *11 March 2021 – Visit to Landtasia and Mullon Institute – John and Jennie*

Both venues have been confirmed.

### g. *8 April 2021 - Local Braidwood gardens - John*

### h. *13 May 2021 - Local Bombay gardens- Bronwyn*

2 suggestion are Dog Leg Farm and Jeremy Campbell-Davys

### i. *10 June 2021 - ? Noel Butler speaking- John*

Maria Baakas is approaching Noel Butler about talking to us.

### j. *8 July 2021 - Rose Workshop-John*

Kate Chinnick and Margaret Tuckwell will give a demonstration on pruning roses at the club. The club is to be asked if we can use their roses to demonstrate.

### k. *12 August 2021 – AGM*

Possible speaker Trisha Dixon Burkitt, Rosemary will investigate.

*l. Future ideas.*

**11. Any other business:**

*a. Sensory garden in Ryrie Park North*

The subcommittee have been working hard, and draft plans were handed out for the committee to look at. John proposes that the garden club agrees to joint maintenance with the council i.e. we will plant prune and tidy, they will water and fertilise.

*b. Website for the future – Fran*

Fran has successfully moved her website, so health permitting she will change the garden club website this week.

*c. Cards.*

Fran has had email problems so has not received all the votes that were sent.

*d. Club leaflet - Jennie*

See publicity item 8

*e. Bushfire recovery – John*

A note will be put in the newsletter asking any plant donations to be taken to John.

**Next Committee meeting – Tuesday 27th October 2020 at Braidwood Servicemen's Club.**

Meeting closed 12:13pm