

BRAIDWOOD GARDEN CLUB

Minutes of meeting held on 24 November 2020

at Braidwood Servicemen's Club

1. Meeting Commenced: 10:10am
2. Present: John Tuckwell, Fran Woods, Margy Gardner, Amanda Scott, Charmian Thomas, Chris James, Rosemary De Martin, Bronwyn Johnson, Jane Moore, Leonie Jolley
Apologies: Jennie Marston
3. **Previous Minutes:** The minutes were adopted
Moved: John Tuckwell Seconded: Fran Woods
4. **Business Arising:** Nothing not on the agenda.
5. **Correspondence:**
In: Emails: (i) Open gardens Canberra; (ii) Thank you from Araluen Progress Association; (iii) Artists of Canberra exhibition 14 – 22 November; (iv) Alison Stutchbury to JT; (v) Trisha Dixon to Rosemary De Martin; (vi) Elizabeth Ganter to JT; (vii) Braidwood Community Association re skate park.
Out: Emails – (i) JT to Wynlen House; (ii) JT to Noel and Trish Butler; (iii) JT to Sue Tuisk; (iv) JT to Braidwood Rural; (v) JT to Alison Stutchbury; (vi) JT to Frank and Karen Hansby; (vii) Rosemary De Martin to Trisha Dixon.
In: Snail mail: (i) Booklet celebrating 70 years of Garden Clubs of Australia; (ii) GCA garden magazine.
6. **Treasurer's Report:**
Opening balance \$4965.21. Income \$479; expenditure \$595.14 loss \$116.14 Closing balance \$4849.07. Membership: currently we have 98 members.
7. **Newsletter:**
Margy just needs information about the Christmas party, then she will be able to get the newsletter out by Friday. The cost of mailing the newsletter to people without the internet is now \$1.10, which the garden club is now subsidising. Costs will need to be discussed prior to the next AGM.
8. **Publicity:**
Articles about the sensory garden and the donation of plants to Araluen were in Changing Times; and the flyer has been printed.
9. **Past Activities:**
12 November 2020 – Mongarlowe gardens – Charmian
39 members attended this very enjoyable day. Complying with COVID19 regulations was a logistical nightmare for the organiser. Thank you very much Charmian.
10. **Future Activities:**
 - a. *10 December 2020 – Christmas Party*
COVID19 regulations have been relaxed, so we can now have unlimited numbers. We will spread out in different areas, so will need to use a PA system for the quiz. John will pick

up the marquees and set them up. Sue has 7 tables and Amanda can provide another 6 which she will deliver to Palerang. All cutlery, plates and glasses will be provided by Palerang and Alison, Jane to check with Jennie about serviettes, and Sue will organise the table decorations. The Garden Club will provide a welcome glass of sparkling wine/orange juice, which Margy will buy along with sparkling water. There will be a couple of tables at the entrance with the sparkling wine/orange juice, raffle tickets and the plant swap. Cost will be \$35 for members and Alison would like the numbers by the 1st December, so members to be encouraged to book early. Palerang has a COVID19 plan. Members to meet at Ryrie Park at 10:45am to car pool, then arrive at Palerang by 11:30 for a wander around the garden. Plan to start eating at 12:30 with the quiz happening while we eat. It was decided because of COVID19 regulations it would be too difficult for the committee to provide nibbles this year. We will have 3 raffle prizes and a lucky door prize; and Leonie can spend between \$100 and \$150 on this.

b. 11 February 2021 – Catherine Watson – John

The large auditorium has been booked.

c. 11 March 2021 – Visit to Landtasia and Mullon Institute – John and Jennie

Nothing new.

d. 8 April 2021 - Local Braidwood gardens – John

The Sutherlands and Greys would prefer that we visit in the Spring. Tony Gilbert has agreed we can visit him and we can also visit John Tuckwells garden.

e. 13 May 2021 - Local Bombay gardens- Bronwyn

No other gardens have been contacted. Other suggestions are Norma Flack, Roger McDonald and Sue Fisher.

f. 10 June 2021 - ? Noel Butler speaking- John

John has contacted the Butlers, but has not heard back yet.

g. 8 July 2021 - Rose Workshop-John

Just need to check if the room has been booked.

h. 12 August 2021 – AGM

Trisha Dixon Burkitt is happy to speak at the AGM. Rosemary will talk to her about a fee, accommodation and petrol money.

i. Future ideas.

11. Any other business:

a. Sensory garden in Ryrie Park North

This has now been completed.

b. Website for the future – Fran

The website is now up and running. Some cosmetic changes need to be made. We could change our email account to streamline with the website, which needs more thought. Rosemary asked if we could have a Q&A section, which is to be investigated. Information about the new website will be put in the newsletter. Thank you Fran for all your hard work.

c. Cards.

The cards are now printed and for sale at \$10 a pack. If we want to leave some at the Visitors Information Centre (VIC), we would have to sell them to the VIC at \$9 a pack then

they would sell them at \$10 a pack. Rosemary will design an advertising sign for both the VIC and the Christmas party.

d. Bushfire recovery – John

Jennie has spoken to someone in Mongarlowe who has indicated that plants would be very gratefully received.

e. Rose cuttings – John

Last year's rose cuttings will be sold at the markets on Saturday, on the Hospital Auxiliary stall.

- f.* A discussion was had on the request from Braidwood Community Association for written support for a proposed skate park at the rec. Margy moved that "the committee of Braidwood Garden Club support the Braidwood Community Association's application for funding of the proposed skate park at the rec ground". Vote had 6 in favour, 1 not in favour and 1 abstention. The motion was passed.

Next Committee meeting – Tuesday 19th January 2021 at Braidwood Servicemen's Club.

Meeting closed 12:15pm