

BRAIDWOOD GARDEN CLUB
Minutes of meeting held on 24 March 2021
at Braidwood Servicemen's Club

1. Meeting Commenced: 10:09am
2. Present: John Tuckwell, Fran Woods, Margy Gardner, Rosemary De Martin, Jane Moore, Leonie Jolley, Jennie Marston, Charmian Thomas, Chris James.
Apologies: Bronwyn Johnson, Amanda Scott
3. **Previous Minutes:** The minutes were adopted
Moved: Leonie Jolley Seconded: Fran Woods
4. **Business Arising:** Nothing not on the agenda.
5. **Correspondence:**
In: Emails: (i) Corang Estate re grape picking x 3; (ii) Bente Jensen thank you; (iii) Secretary GCA to Jane Moore (JM) (iv) Insurance Officer GCA to JM; (v) Mona to JT; (vi) TCCS trees to JT; (vii) Bundanoon Garden Ramble October 30/31; (viii) Randall Lemin x 2.
Out: Emails – (i) JT to Mary Appleby x 2; (ii) JT to TCCS trees x 2; (iii) JT to Coorang Estate; (iv) JM to secretary GCA; (v) JT to Amanda; (vi) JT to Mona; (vii) Braidwood Community Association survey; (viii) JT to Judith Carroll; (ix) JT to Margy; (x) Margy to Randall Lemin x 2; (xi) Margy to JT.
6. **Treasurer's Report:**
Opening balance \$4782.87; income \$229.00; expenditure \$55.00; loss \$367.67. Closing balance \$4956.87. Membership: currently we have 114 members and 2 guest member. An invoice has been received from the VIC for the selling of the cards.
7. **Newsletter:**
John has provided 2 articles plus the instruction for next month's meeting. Rose will do a report on the February meeting. The deadline is 27th March. The photo from Randall Lemin will need an answer before it can go in the newsletter. Contributions for next month's newsletter will be needed by 28/4/2021.
8. **Publicity:**
An article was in Changing Times 2 weeks ago, and February's meeting was advertised on social media. Jennie will send another article to Changing Times in 2 weeks. Jennie will be resigning as publicity officer as she is moving away from Braidwood.
9. **Past Activities:**
24 members attended a very informative talk by Peter Hazell. Some members left after this and others joined us in John Tuckwell's garden for lunch and then another informative session on no dig gardening and composting.
10. **Future Activities:**
 - a. *8 April 2021 - Local Braidwood gardens – John*
We will meet at 10:30 at Wynlen House for a talk, walk around the garden and morning tea at a cost of \$15. This will take approximately 90 minutes, then we will walk to the Old Rectory to tour Tony Gilbert's garden. We will then cross the road to The Doncaster for lunch

Hannah's garden. The booking sheet will need to be at the bank by Saturday.

b. 13 May 2021 - Local Bombay gardens- Bronwyn

The Grants have decided they are unable to host us. A possible alternative is Bronwyn's garden.

c. 10 June 2021 - Visit to Noel and Trish Butler - John

Noel and Trish Butler are organised, the cost will be \$20 each. Murramarang Community Gardens are happy to host us. We could possibly have lunch at the beach between the two gardens. The cost of the bus has gone up to \$1100. A discussion was had on whether to use the bus or car pool. It was agreed BGC would subsidise the bus, so charge for the bus and Butlers talk would be \$40.

d. 8 July 2021 - Rose Workshop-John

Check the room has been booked.

e. 12 August 2021 – AGM

Trisha Dixon is confirmed as the speaker, and would only like fuel costs. She will bring some of her books for sale. Mona has confirmed at a cost of \$40 each including a garden tour. The new chef starts in April and we will be able to see the menu after that.

f. Future ideas.

Margy was unable to speak to anyone at the first garden she visited, but has spoken to a neighbour who will let the owners know of our desire to visit. She is following up on other Tarago gardens and will contact the two garden clubs in Tarago.

Jenny has suggested we could visit her new garden in Bowral, and could also include the botanical gardens and nursery that is next door to her. Other suggestions for that area are Red Cow, Harpers Mansion and Retford Park.

Nick Kemp spoke to John about his truffle farm, which has a lot of rhododendrons and azaleas. This could be combined with visiting Teresa Lindwall's garden.

11. Any other business:

a. The Website – Fran

The website has had periodic visitors and some attempts to break in. Fran has uploaded photographs from the February meeting, but is still to write detailed instructions for the rest of the committee on how to use it. Jane will check that GCA has the new website address.

b. Tree Week

Tree week will be going ahead in Braidwood on 7/5/2021 from 9:30am – 11am. Mary Appleby will lead a walk around Braidwood trees. People will need to register through our email address, and non members will be charged \$5. It will be advertised in the newsletter and through Canberra Tree Week.

c. Visit by Nimmitabel garden Club

We are still waiting to hear from Nimmitabel.

d. Sensory Garden

John suggested there should be a plaque on each bed so that visitors will know what they are looking at. John proposed we spend \$200 for the plaques, seconded by Rosemary and unanimously agreed to.

Next Committee meeting – Wednesday 28 April 2021 at Braidwood Servicemen's Club.

Meeting closed 12:00md