

Wentworth Falls Garden Club – Committee Meeting - Minutes 30 August 2022

Venue: 3 Cook Road Wentworth Falls.10am.

Attendance: Janice Light, Henry Nelson, Duncan Leys, Carol Conway, Kevin Hummel, Susan Hummel, Sed Mayne, Marilyn Shields, Ronah Tuite, Barbara Fox, Gai Horrocks.

Acceptance of previous Minutes 2 August 2022. Move: Janice Light **Second:** Barbara Fox

Business arising from previous Minutes:

- Morning Tea.
 - MT now supplied by members. Bring a Plate roster. Discussion if sufficient food. Treasurer, Henry Nelson, advised \$50 previously available for each monthly GM MT. This amount should continue to be used to supplement roster.
 - Committee advised to take care with storage of handbags/money during GM.
- Credit Card Tap.
 - Still under investigation. Carried over to October CM.
- AGM. Feedback.
 - WFGC member proposed addition of wording for AGM election of Executives.
 - Previously, Chair requested “a show of hands” for each vote.
 - Recommendation “All in favour raise your hand.”
 - Committee agreed to accept “All in favour raise your hand” with the addition of “Against” show of hands.
- Archives. Springwood Library.
 - WFGC archival material is stored at Springwood Library. The archives have been closed and put into storage during renovations. Access available March 2023.

Correspondence In:

- Belong Blue Mountains. Jocelyn (Joss) Belong Blue Mountains Service Program for ages 65 and over. Decision to invite Joss to present short overview of services at 13 October GM. **Action: Gai.**
- WFGC email. Sylvia Martin. Referred to Dorothy Davis. Trevlyn.

Correspondence Out:

- Jenny Brown. BMCC. Committee noted some problems with School of Arts hall preparation and monthly accounts. Request for follow up with BMCC Facilities Officer. **Action: Gai**
- Elisa BM Edible Garden Trail. Event flyer.

Financial Report – Henry Nelson

Cash Book Balance as at 1 August 2022: \$5,408.98

Income: \$1,010.36 Expenditure: \$203.98

Cash Book Balance as at 31 August 2022: \$6,215.36 Available funds: \$3,625.36

- Treasurer, Henry Nelson, noted the usual annual BMCC increase in cost of Wentworth Falls School of Arts hall hire. Also noted hall hire account sometimes arrives in two month charges. Request contact Facilities Officer to discuss possibility of monthly charge. **Action: Gai.**
- Review of subscription cash payments and liaison between Membership and Treasury.

President Janice Light left CM. Advised Secretary, Gai Horrocks, to proceed with meeting.

- Motion: Membership and Treasury together in foyer for months July – October. Motion failed.
- Resolution: For July – October the Treasurer will sit at desk in foyer to receive money. Voted and accepted.

Welfare – Henry on behalf of Lea.

- Thinking of You: Giselle Vickery.
- “Missing You” notes. Lea sent out Missing You cards to seventeen members. As a result three membership renewals received and several grateful phone call.

Membership – Kevin Hummel

- Total membership 84: 81 financial members. 3 rollovers.
- GM attendance average in mid 50s.

Guest Speaker – Carol Conway

- Guest Speakers.
 - September: Brenda Lyon Daffodil expert. My Garden - Pauline Bartle
 - October: Jane Stockel Chelsea 22 & Design Trends for 2023.
Possible Ramble – Katie Jakes
Belong BM. Services for over 65s. 10 mins presentation before MT.
 - November Peta Trahar – “Moth” The Lost David Austin Rose.
- Possible Speakers 2023
 - Deb Wells – Campbell Rhododendron Gardens – Regeneration Program.
 - John Parsonage – Gardens in China.
 - Cut Above

Library – Marilyn Shields

- Purchased *Entangled Life* – Merlin Sheldrake.
- Silent Auction – October GM. Morning Tea coordinator, Barbara Fox, happy to have Silent Auction set up in MT room.

Events and Rambles – Ronah Tuite. (Janice Light)

- Christmas Lunch.
 - Overview of possible venues: Grand View Hotel and RSL Katoomba.
 - RSL preferred. Treasurer, Henry Nelson, advised extra \$8 available.
- Mayfield Bus Trip 15 September.

- Fully booked. Wait list. Some payments to be finalised.
- Mystery Garden Ramble. Cancelled due to lack of numbers.
- 2023 Bus Trips. Possibilities. Discussion carried over to October CM.
- Ronah displayed 'Fun' Activities for Christmas Lunch.

Communications – Sed Mayne

- Handout of Draft September Newsletter.
- Updates as required.
- Christmas venue noted.
- Photo of donated watercolour artwork (see below) requested for Newsletter. **Action: Sed, Ronah.**

General Business:

- Raffle
 - Donation by member and artist, Sylvia Beresford, of watercolour artwork of a single Black Tulip ("TULIPA 'Queen of the Night.')
 - To be drawn at Christmas lunch.
 - Price set by committee. \$5 per ticket. 3 for \$10
 - Photo of artwork in September Newsletter. **Action: Sed, Ronah.**
 - Tickets to be sold at table in foyer next to Welcome Desk. **Action: Ronah.**
- School of Arts Hall. Discussion of possible impact of upgrade on WFGC 2023 GMs.
 - BMCC Booking Request form to be completed and submitted for WFGC General Meetings 2023. **Action: Gai.**
 - Follow up phone contact with Facilities Officer, Jenny Brown. Discuss possible impact of hall update and alternate BMCC venues. **Action: Gai.**
- Membership sign in at Welcome Desk. Change proposed. Discussion of process.
 - Motion: Welcome Desk continues current practice.
 - Motion voted and accepted.
 - Resolution: Welcome Desk stays as current practice.

CM closed: 12.10

Next CM: 4 October 2022.