

## ULLADULLA & DISTRICTS GARDEN CLUB INC

### GENERAL MEETING

Baptist Church, Matron Porter Drive, Narrawallee  
25th July 2022

<b>1</b>	<b>Meeting opened at</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>
	9.31 am	
<b>2</b>	<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>
	68	
<b>3</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>
	Gillian Boyd	
<b>4</b>	<b>Welcome to Visitors</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>
	Kathy Frazer, Jeff Peterson, Eimear Proudford, Liz Karbowiak, Gaven Dorrell	
<b>5</b>	<b>President's Message</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>
	<p>Acknowledgement of country. I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Dhurga Language Group known as Yuin and pay my respect to Elders both past, present, and future.</p> <p>Welcome everyone. Only one month of winter to go. The rain might have finally left us for a while. My garden is soaked, that is my new garden. I've been left plants in pots and have many other plants along the front of the house. I've added some of my own, it's looking quite good. The backyard however, needs lots of love and care. If you've driven past my old house you would have seen where the gardener, who arrived the day before the new people were to move in, backed up the driveway and straight into the wall between the garage door and the verandah. He's a good gardener but not such a good driver apparently. The wall has been fixed now. Janie George is not planning on another plant sale at the moment since the last two were rained out.</p> <p>Sue thanked the Club for the gift of a Camellia to commemorate her mother's passing which was given to her at the last Committee meeting.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>New Members</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>

	A badge was presented to new member Kim Muller.	
<b>7</b>	<b>Health &amp; Welfare Report</b>	<b>Chris Turner</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No one reported feeling unwell this month.</li> <li>● Elizabeth Stayt's husband John passed away recently he was 90, his funeral will be held at Mollymook Bowlo on Monday.</li> </ul> <p>Things health related happening this month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● National Health week</li> <li>● World mosquito day</li> <li>● Jeans for genes day</li> <li>● Red nose day</li> <li>● Daffodil day</li> <li>● National stroke awareness week - Chris outlined symptoms of stroke to look out for and what to do, time is of the essence.</li> </ul>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Guest Speaker</b>	<b>Helena Law</b>
	<p>Gavin Dorrell - vegetable gardener previously worked at St Isidore's restaurant and currently at Cupitt's Estate.</p> <p>Gavin operated a delicatessen in Ulladulla for many years but loved gardening and was lucky to be able to turn his hobby into a job.</p> <p>Gavin advocates the French style of gardening where herbs and vegetables are incorporated with plants and flowers so the garden not only looks good but is edible too.</p> <p>We all try to save money so Gavin looks at ways to circumvent the traditional way of fertilising his plants and also doesn't have to rely on supply chain issues. He suggests collecting seaweed, preferably dry, so it's not so heavy and burying it in the garden to release nutrients into the soil, this is particularly good for potatoes. Cuttlefish bones or shell grit is also good to add calcium to brassicas and peas.</p> <p>Gavin went on to explain another low cost way of gardening being the Korean Jadam method. This involves recycling of organic materials which are often collected and removed. Plants have an innate immune system, by reintroducing this organic matter from the same plants back into the soil more microbes are generated to stimulate the plant's growth. Plants will take up what they need and release excess sugars into the soil, the microbes will feed on this excess sugar and supercharge the soil providing benefits to both plants and soil far beyond the average store-bought fertilizers. Worm</p>	

	<p>castings and leaf litter added to the garden will noticeably improve the health of the soil.</p> <p>Lastly the best protection for vegetables against fruit fly is proper fruit fly netting rather than bird netting. Wait until the fruit has set, then net.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Activities Report</b>	<b>Debbie Kendall</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soup Day to be held at the Lake Conjola Community Centre on 11 August 11.30 - 2.00. Members may bring things to sell on the day. Money raised will be used for community projects.</li> <li>• Judy Hamilton - open garden 31st August, details are in the newsletter.</li> <li>• 29 September - Illawarra Rhododendron and Rainforest Garden; Burnetts on Barney Garden Nursery, Kiama; South Coast Bamboo, Coolangatta - details in Newsletter</li> <li>• Mayfield - final payment due by August meeting - Black &amp; Gold theme night on the last night.</li> </ul>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Garden Gems</b>	<b>Rhondda Bentley</b>
	<p>Rhondda presented garden gems.</p> <p>Crucifix Orchid, Goldfish plant &amp; Golden Trumpet Vine - Christine Sharrad  Baby Bear Camellia - Jan Barkwith  Primrose Jasmine and Clivia - Janey George  Bromeliads -Dianne Broadly  Camelias - Graeme Oke  Nutmeg Bush - Rhondda Bentley  Bougainvillea, Begonia, Daisy, Jonquil and Maidenhair Fern - Sue Hobson</p>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Secretary's Report</b>	<b>Gill Evans</b>
	<p>Minutes of the General Meeting of 27 June 2022 are available on the welcome table for members to read when they come into the meeting. The minutes will be posted on the website for members to refer to and read when Gillian returns from her bike trip.</p> <p>Motion: That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted.  Moved: Gill Evans  Seconded: Ann Keegan</p>	

	Result: Passed	
<b>12</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>Sue Hobson</b>
	<p><b>Finance summary June 2022</b></p> <p>Westpac Balance as at May 31st 2022                      \$<u>24,500.47</u></p> <p>June Income    \$ <u>4,050.58</u></p> <p>June Expenditure    \$ <u>842.71</u></p> <p><b>Westpac balance as at June 30th 2022                      \$<u>27,708.34</u></b></p> <p><b>Bendigo Bank Term Deposit                                      \$7,261.99</b></p> <p><b>Westpac 'Student' account                                      \$2,676.28</b></p> <p><b>Motion:</b> That the Treasurer's Report for June be accepted.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Sue Hobson</p> <p><b>Seconded:</b> Gary McConnell</p>	
<b>13</b>	<b>Member Participation &amp; Questions</b>	<b>Colleen Ringe</b>
	<p>Colleen mentioned her native frangipani which hasn't flowered for many years, there were some suggestions as to why.</p> <p>Members were reminded to use this time to raise questions for advice or to speak about any garden related matters.</p> <p>The newsletter is looking a little thin. Ann Keegan requested articles and photos for the newsletter and more entries for the Shirley Smith Award. All material to be received by 3 week of the month.</p>	
<b>14</b>	<b>Competition Results</b>	<b>Rosie and Catherine</b>
	<p>July: Camellias</p> <p>1st Prize: Graham Oke &amp; Jim Mison</p> <p>2nd Prize: Debbie Kendall</p> <p>3rd Prize: Sheila Gallant</p> <p>August: Succulents</p> <p>Competitions for 2022 are published in the Newsletter.</p>	
<b>15</b>	<b>Trading Table</b>	<b>Ruth Facile</b>

	\$92 - plants + items from Colleen's table	
<b>16</b>	<b>Today's Winners</b>	<b>Sue McMahon</b>
	Lucky Morning Tea ticket - Annette Cliffe Lucky Door - ?  Raffle - Graem Oke (7 prizes)  1st Prize: Sue McMahon 2nd Prize: Yvonne Stein 3rd Prize: Gill Gibson	
<b>17</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	
	29th August 2022	
<b>18</b>	<b>Meeting Closed</b>	
	11.35am	