

**ULLADULLA & DISTRICTS GARDEN CLUB INC**

**GENERAL MEETING**

Baptist Church, Matron Porter Drive, Narrawallee

30 October 2023

<b>1</b>	<b>Meeting opened at</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</b>
	9.32 am	
<b>2</b>	<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</b>
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<b>3</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</b>
	Sue McMahon, Cheryl Fibbins	
<b>4</b>	<b>Welcome to Visitors</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</b>
	Debbie Debeljuh, Laurel Nixon	
<b>5</b>	<b>President's Message</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</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 emerging.</p> <p>Welcome to you all. As you drive around, the Silky oaks, Illawarra flame trees and Jacarandas look so beautiful. Every year I think they look better than at any other year but I think they excelled themselves this year. And the roses too are really enjoying the dry weather. My roses look magnificent, as do all the roses on the competition table today. It is a tight competition. I wonder who the winner will be. Don't forget to vote for your favourite at Morning Tea, if you haven't already. The lawns aren't doing too well on the dry weather and I see that the Shoalhaven is on the brink of being declared officially in drought. Our local water supply, the Porters Creek Dam is however, close to full. I understand the water carters at the moment are very busy.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Presentation of Badges to New Members</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</b>
	Nil	
<b>7</b>	<b>Guest Speaker – Bob Horne from Ngulla Dullah Garden Centre</b>	
	<p>Among Bob's favourite plants are clivia, jacaranda and the Illawarra flame tree, all flowering very well this year due to the dry weather. However, his talk was about his specialty – the frangipani. It is believed that Spanish sailors brought the frangipani back to Europe from central America. In Australia 95% of frangipani grown is Plumeria rubra, the white and yellow variety, mostly on the east coast. Evergreen varieties are grown in tropical countries. They don't like frost and their fragrance and colour are more intense in hot weather. They need good drainage, a</p>	

	hot sunny position, radiating heat is ideal. There is no need to prune, only if they get too large. Propagate by cuttings in warm weather.	
<b>8</b>	<b>Garden Gems</b>	<b>Rhonda Bentley</b>
	Flowers on display included: Hippeastrum, Illawarra flame tree, Geranium, Aquilegia, Cornflower, Penstemon, Petunia, Clematis, Pride of Madeira seed heads, Bougainvillea, Iris, Wollemi pine, Wonga vine, Salvia, Cotinus coggygia, Dracunculus vulgaris, Fuchsia, Deutzia.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Health and Welfare</b>	<b>Chris Turner</b>
	Sue McMahon has had heart surgery, is now at home and recovering. Phillip Smith-Hill has been in hospital (enters the room). Ken Petrie has had a long recovery from his car accident and is living with his daughter in Nowra.  Awareness months/days include: Movember – men’s health, World diabetes day, Kindness day, Tolerance day.	
	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Member Participation &amp; Questions</b>	<b>Gillian Boyd</b>
	<b>Q.</b> How to get rid of clover in grass, possibly Peruvian clover <b>A.</b> Try a selective herbicide	
<b>11</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Kathy Pearce</b>
	There will be a presentation on our recent trip to Narrandera at the next meeting. Email your photos to us to be included in the presentation. Thank you to the members who came on the trip to Narrandera and thank you for the encouraging card and gift. Our contact person Julie gave us an exceptional guided tour. Now looking forward to Linda Slinger’s open garden on 20 November. Bring a share plate, a mug and seat if you would like to. The Christmas Party is on 6 December 11.30 for 12.00 at the Dunn Lewis Centre. Taking payments today, at the next meeting and on-line. There will be tables of 10, let us know who you would like to sit with.	
<b>12</b>	<b>Secretary’s Report</b>	<b>Linda Slinger</b>
	Minutes of the September General Meeting are available on the welcome table for members to read when they come into the meeting. The minutes are also posted on the website prior to the meeting for you to refer to and read.  <b>Motion:</b> That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. <b>Moved:</b> Linda Slinger <b>Seconded:</b> Nolan Harvey <b>Result:</b> Passed	

	<p>Correspondence received:  Newsletters from other garden clubs  Festival of Roses Jamberoo information  Bemboka Flower Show information  GCA forms  Correspondence sent:  Welcome letters to new members  Forms to the GCA</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> That the correspondence be noted as received and sent.  <b>Moved:</b> Linda Slinger  <b>Seconded:</b> John Steadman  <b>Result:</b> Passed</p>													
<b>13</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>Sue Hobson</b>												
	<p><b>Finance summary September 2023</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Westpac balance as at 31 August 2023</td> <td>\$ 15 653.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>September income</td> <td>14 078.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>September expenditure</td> <td>1 259.26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Westpac balance as at 30 September</td> <td>28 473.44</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bendigo Bank term deposit</td> <td>10 237.93</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Westpac 'student' account</td> <td>2 177.28</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Motion:</b> That the Treasurer's Report for September 2023 be accepted.  <b>Moved:</b> Sue Hobson  <b>Seconded:</b> Alison Austin  <b>Result:</b> Passed</p>	Westpac balance as at 31 August 2023	\$ 15 653.80	September income	14 078.90	September expenditure	1 259.26	Westpac balance as at 30 September	28 473.44	Bendigo Bank term deposit	10 237.93	Westpac 'student' account	2 177.28	
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<b>14</b>	<b>Competition Results</b>	<b>Janey and Jan</b>												
	<p><b>Roses</b>  1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Yvonne Byatt  2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Jim Mison  3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Patricia Kilborn</p> <p>Competitions for 2023 are published in the Newsletter. Next month's competition is 'Fun with Foliage'.</p>													
<b>15</b>	<b>Trading Table</b>	<b>Ruth and Diane</b>												
	\$119.50													
<b>16</b>	<b>Today's Winners</b>	<b>Nolan Harvey</b>												
	<p>Lucky Door – Sue Hobson</p> <p>Raffle: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Catherine Craig  2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Gillian Boyd  3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Graeme Oke  Profit: \$152.80</p>													

<b>17</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	
	Last meeting of the year – Monday 27 November 2023	
<b>18</b>	<b>Meeting Closed</b>	
	11.20 am	