

ULLADULLA & DISTRICTS GARDEN CLUB INC

GENERAL MEETING

Baptist Church, Matron Porter Drive, Narrawallee
Monday 27th May 2019

1	Meeting opened at	Sue McMahon
	9.34am	
2	Members Present	Sue McMahon
	112	
3	Apologies	Sue McMahon
	Gillian Boyd	
4	Welcome to Visitors	Sue McMahon
	Helen McFarland, Kaye Grant, Leonie Pogson, Diana Hatcher, Allan Hatcher and Roger Nee.	
5	Vice President's Message	Sue McMahon
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I recently passed through Mittagong with its trees displaying all the beautiful autumn colours and Bowral covered in leaves.• Two copies of the latest Gardening Australia magazine are available in the library for members to borrow.• Don't forget the Shirley Smith Award, won by Elke Smith-Hill last year, the entries are not coming in very fast! Please give all tips and tricks to Ann either by phone or email for publishing in the newsletter (anonymously). One of our new members, Maureen, has some good tips for growing pumpkins.• Yvonne Steain has a new copy of Cruden Farm Garden Diaries by Michael Morrison and Lisa Clausen for sale, please see her at the raffle table if you are interested.• The Club thanks Marilyn and John Ellerton for organising and running the Bunnings BBQ on Mother's Day. Although John is not a member of the Garden Club he has given up his time to help the club raise funds. We need volunteers to help with the next BBQ on the June long weekend, this will be our last one for a while. The Club has participated in the Bunnings BBQ fundraising programme for years and it's now time to give others a chance to raise funds. Helen	

	<p>Turner will run the next BBQ on 8th June, please see Helen if you can help.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On 9 May we gathered at the Mollymook Golf Club to officially say goodbye to Val Tranter, a much loved Life member of the Garden Club. It was a lovely occasion and a fitting farewell for Val who has now moved to Wollongong while she awaits completion of her new unit at Shellharbour. The Vice President, Sue McMahon, read out a thank-you letter from Val which was left on the President's table for people to read. • The Propagation Group's next meeting will be at Rowan Brownette's property on June 27th. Members of the group to bring their own propagating mix, tools, cuttings etc. It is intended that the group will have a propagating blitz in September, October and November to have plants ready for the Friendship Day next year. • The Committee's morning tea for new members was held at Treasurer Sue Hobson's house in Narrawallee. Sue's white and pink roses were in full bloom and her chillies looked plump and very inviting, we hope she counted them after we'd gone. It was a good opportunity to get to know each other on a more personal level which is very difficult to do during general meetings. Maureen Harton had some interesting tips about growing her pumpkins which hopefully we can encourage her to share with the rest of the club. 	
6	New Members	
	Welcome to new members Judy Germon, Anne Sweeney and Maureen Harton.	
7	Garden Gems	Graeme Oke
	The Gems table display of Purple Zelbrina, Button Fern, Haworthia succulent and grafted cactus (Phil Chapman), Grevillea and Roses (Sue Hobson), autumn collection (Robyn Smith), Salvias and lilac flower (Sheila Tracey), tall Salvia and Luculia (Graeme Oke), Geranium (Olive Stockley), Salvia (Lorraine Schachter), Hakea (Linder Slinger), plus displays from Yvonne Byatt, Sheila Tracey and Ros McDonald were presented by Graeme Oke.	
8	Guest Speaker	Tim Cooper
	Tim Cooper, a local organic vegetable grower, gave an enthusiastic insight into his business. Tim's passion with organic gardening started early, planting vegetables at the age of 14. Later he began his business at the back of his parents property in Milton, then expanded to 2 acres in Little Forest Road and 1 acre in Wandandian. For the sake of efficiency, since Tim manages all the planting and ongoing care himself, he limits his range of	

	<p>produce to those vegetables which grow well in those particular areas. Tim sells his produce at Milton Markets, Milton Farm Shop and various local restaurants. A lively Q&A session followed the presentation which included some valuable tips about crop rotation to prevent diseases, fertilizing (less fertilizer, less bugs), low green crops eg. winter oats, peas, lupins and millet. Organic spray for white butterflies (use regularly if it rains). Carrots grow best in poorer soil, do not fertilize. Grow carrots and beetroot after lettuce. Tim waters once a week in winter and twice a week in summer, drip irrigation is best.</p>	
9	Health and Welfare Report	Sue McMahon
	<p>Heather Steadman is now home from hospital and progressing well, if anyone wants to visit her, they would be most welcome but please call Heather first. Lorna Neill is also home from the hospital today and Julie Leslie is going to hospital tomorrow, we wish them both well. Jean Price is unwell, we will send her a card. A reminder that if your membership fees are not paid you are not covered by insurance. If you are unsure please see the Treasurer.</p>	
10	Activities Report	Debbie Kendall
	<p>Full details in May 2019 Newsletter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canberra Trip to the Botanic Gardens and Cockington Green - 30th May. Meet at 7am Civic Centre Ulladulla, home by 6pm. All day parking at the back of the Civic Centre, transport on the day by Kennedys Coaches from Nowra. • Visit to Graeme Oke's Camelia Garden, plus stop in Berry and Enid's garden in Nowra - 25th July. • Soup Day fundraiser \$10 pp, Sue Hobson will provide music on her fiddle, there will be a floral demonstration, if anyone needs a stall please see Debbie. 	
11	Librarian's Report	Elvina James
	<p>Next Wildflower Reserve walk is at 10am on the first of the month, meet behind the swimming pool in Ulladulla. Birthday flowers for June are native Heath Myrtle and exotic red or cream Poinsettia. Selection of books from the library - A View from the Heart, a book by the Ulladulla Evening View Club published for their 25th Anniversary in 2015 which includes stories by 60 local people from Conjola to Kiola. Books on Fragrant Roses, Salvias and Irises. Sue Hobson has returned the book on Cruden Farm to the library for others to borrow and mentions there is a list of jobs to do in the garden each month at the back of the book which she suggests people may find very useful.</p>	
12	My garden	Graeme Oke / Enid Kelley

	<p>Graeme Oke gave an update on his garden with photos showing how the garden has progressed. In particular, his Wollemi Pine is growing very well and, although there has been little rain, he advised that the Camellias hadn't suffered at all since once established they are a very hardy plant. He mentioned it is the 42nd birthday of his garden tomorrow and encouraged people to visit in July.</p> <p>Enid Kelley gave an interesting talk about the roses, camellias and succulents in her garden in Nowra. Enid noted, as with most gardens, her garden is never finished but just keeps evolving. She is also an avid collector and half her garage is taken up with a display of bottles and tins collected over 50 years.</p>											
13	Secretary's Report	Gill Evans										
	<p>Minutes of the General Meeting of 29 April 2019 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 members to refer to and read.</p> <p>Motion: That the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. Moved: Gill Evans Seconded: Ann Keegan Result: Passed</p> <p>Correspondence Motion: That the incoming correspondence be accepted and the outgoing be endorsed. Moved: Gill Evans Seconded: Jocelyn Lavering Result: Passed</p>											
14	Treasurer's Report	Sue Hobson										
	<p>Funds held as at end March 2019:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Commonwealth Bank:</td> <td>\$15,810.74</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bendigo Bank:</td> <td>\$ 6,888.31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Income in March</td> <td>\$ 3,978.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Expenditure in March:</td> <td>\$ 2,377.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cash book balance as at 30 April 2019:</td> <td>\$17,411.71</td> </tr> </table> <p>Commonwealth Bank 'Student' A/c: \$ 3,076.28</p> <p>Financial report is available in full at the Treasurers table.</p> <p>Motion: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Moved: Sue Hobson Seconded: Helen Turner Result: Passed</p>	Commonwealth Bank:	\$15,810.74	Bendigo Bank:	\$ 6,888.31	Income in March	\$ 3,978.00	Expenditure in March:	\$ 2,377.03	Cash book balance as at 30 April 2019:	\$17,411.71	
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	The Treasurer advised she had received membership fees from someone with the surname Smith with no first name and no membership form! Please see Sue if anyone can help determine who this may be. Also some people have paid membership fees twice, they will be refunded.	
16	Q & A	Sue McMahon
	It was noted that the Q&A box was empty and a reminder that questions may be dropped in the box to be answered during the Q&A session. Gloria asked how to treat white scale on rose stems, it was suggested Eco Oil would fix this. Yvonne asked if her ornamental grape vine, grown from seed, should be cut back now - advice early Spring. There was a question regarding Stink Bugs on Citrus trees, Ann advised there will be an article on this in the next Garden Thymes. Is it ok to move Camellias and Azaleas now and is it okay to leave them in a tree bag whilst waiting to replant in Spring, Graeme advised it is.	
17	Competition Results	Janey George
	May: One Perfect Bloom 1st Prize: Gloria Turner 2nd Prize: Marie O'Connell 3rd Prize: Robert Kilborn June: Wonders of Winter	
18	Trading Table	Janet Baxter
	\$82	
19	Glove Sales	Julie Leslie
	\$14	
20	Today's Winners	Sue McMahon
	Lucky Morning Tea ticket: Clive Cross Luck Door: Rowan Brownette Raffle: 1st Prize: Enid Kelley 2nd Prize: Ian Bashall 3rd Prize: Gayle Strombolis 10 prizes were drawn Raffle Profit \$164.10	
21	Next Meeting 24 June 2019	
	This is the Birthday meeting and there will be cake at morning tea.	
22	Meeting Closed 11.46	

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INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Date	From	Content	Action
April	Commonwealth Bank	Statement	Treasurer
April	Batemans Bay Horticultural Society	Newsletter	
April	ABC	Organic Gardener, April 2019 Issue x 2	Library
April	ABC	Gardening Australia, May 2019 Issue x 2	Library
April	Ulladulla Storage	Invoice	Treasurer
April	Trident Insurance Group	PL Certificate of Currency	Secretary
April	Bunnings	Community BBQ	Secretary
May	Ulladulla Storage	Invoice re Storage fees	Treasurer
May	Bendigo Bank	Term Deposit review	Treasurer
May	Commonwealth Bank	Statement	Treasurer
May	Commonwealth Bank	Student A/c statement	Treasurer
May	Batemans Bay Horticultural Society	Newsletter	
May	ABC	Organic Gardener, June 2019 Issue x 2	Library
May	Card returned to Club	Joi Harris get well card	Welfare
May	Sheila Tracy	Restoration "One Track for All"	President