

# Uki Garden Club

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Since I became president in July 2018, it has been a pleasure to work with a dedicated team of willing committee members as well as several extra helpers on the side. The Uki Garden Club has continued to provide a venue for sharing knowledge, ideas, plants and of course, food! We have welcomed many new members with numbers now exceeding 150. It seems that we gain more at every meeting these days, so our visitors must think we are doing something right!

Our thanks must go to all of those generous hosts who have opened up their gardens for both Food Group and Saturday Garden Gatherings in the last 12 months. I feel it is this fact – being able to visit so many diverse gardens in the Tweed Shire – that makes our club so special and so popular. Seeing is believing, as they say!

Another draw-card for our club is the amazing newsletter, so ably put together by our editor Fran O'Hara and reviewed by her assistant editor, Sue Holzknicht. Chock full every month with beautiful photos, travel tales, garden reports, hints and tips, it is indeed a very good read. No wonder other garden clubs want access to it. And of course it can only be as good as the contributors – again our wonderfully generous and clever members. Keep up the good work.

My thanks go to Julia Hancock for so ably convening the Food Group and writing detailed reports for these meetings. Julia has also been our secretary for the last 12 months but is stepping down from this position so she can increase her travel time. We wish her well.

My sincere thanks also go to Bonnie Buzolic, who has not only been our very capable treasurer for the last 5 years, but also our public officer and our membership officer. She has maintained for our club a very strong financial backbone which has been greatly appreciated. Bonnie is stepping down as she and Buzz prepare to move away from Tyalgum to (we hope) green pastures not too far from the Tweed. Best wishes to them for the future.



*Orchid garden in Singapore on route to Milan.*

Vice-president, Alessandra Deen, is also leaving the committee. She has had a very tough time with family health burdens so we wish her a much brighter year ahead.

We sadly said farewell earlier this year to Tony Stanhope, a valued past treasurer and extremely knowledgeable UGC member. Our sincere sympathies to his wife, Judy who plans to leave our district for a fresh start elsewhere. Thank you to all the UGC members who attended Tony's funeral and especially to Julia for her great contribution to the eulogy.

I must also acknowledge the work of four non-committee volunteers, namely Jan Brooks (bus trip co-ordinator), Michael Balk (website designer/manager), Philip Wilson (UGC Facebook page administrator) and Hartmut Holzknicht (seed box caretaker and Wedgetail working group leader). Without you, our club would be very limited so we thank you all sincerely and look forward to your continuing support.

As we look ahead to the 2019/2020 year, let us continue with purpose to reach all of our aims:

- to build friendships through gardens and gardening;
- to share knowledge of plants and gardens;
- to promote environmentally friendly practices;
- and to participate in humanitarian endeavours.

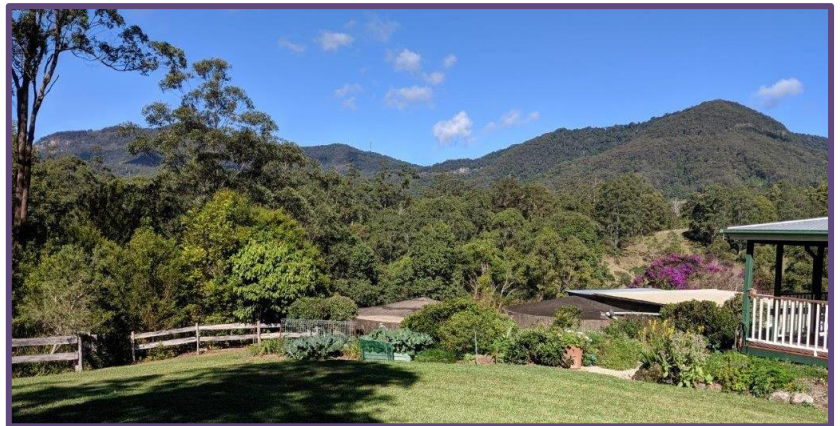
Gillian Woodward

# Titbits from the July Food Group

## Julia Hancock

Although it's lovely to have rain, too much can be a drag. We'd had an unusually persistent wet start to July so imagine our joy when the sun suddenly reappeared through the thick morning fog as we drove to Desirée Saunders' place in Doon Doon for our Food Group meeting. It was a smaller gathering than usual as a result of the aforesaid rain but those who attended were stunned by Desirée's amazing garden in the glorious surrounds of the Caldera. What a treat!

The Saunders have been at their property for 31 years during which the garden has constantly evolved.



The latest version has been inspired by a visit to the Green Harvest Garden at Maleny where Desirée saw ornamental plants and edibles all growing together in a jumble. She's adopted that plan to suit her own needs and the results speak for themselves.

A grove of rainforest trees was planted 29 years ago and they now look majestic, particularly as they offer glimpses of the mountains beyond between the foliage. Around the main house flowers and herbs grow in profusion, basking in the radiated heat of the stone wall which forms their bed.

Recently they had to chop down an enormous tree which was interfering with power lines and threatening to drop branches on the house. They are now left with a huge stump that offers all sorts of landscaping opportunities. It's big enough to incorporate a carving as well as a variety of plants growing up and around the trunk. What a fabulous project to work on during the coming months (*pic at right of stump & resulting mulch*).



None of us had much to report as we'd all been dodging the showers and the ground was too soggy to do any gardening jobs, large or small. But a few things cropped up in the conversation.

- Sheila has given up the battle with her bush turkey but has had the last laugh. The turkey has gone, leaving behind a wonderful pile of mulch in which Sheila is growing pumpkins.
- Heather brought along a galangal root so we could all see the difference between its growth habit and that of ginger. Although their foliage is similar there is no chance of mixing them up once you see what's happening underground.
- Gillian scored some old mozzie nets from the TPS op shop and used them to shroud her vegie patch against marauders. So far it's worked!
- Visitors (now members) Andy and Despina have moved to a 7.5 acre property outside Uki. Most of it is grassed but Despina grows vegies under a shade cloth structure which protects them against harsh weather. They were lucky enough to inherit a citrus orchard, although some of the old trees have been neglected and need renovating.





- Jenny and Jim are growing a lot of winter vegies although they've had no luck with Thai eggplant or beetroot this year.
- Gloria can't dig any more but that doesn't stop her from spending most of her time in the garden. She's currently enjoying sweet potatoes and avocados.
- Peter and Marie have lots of vegies growing but rain has badly affected their lettuce and tomatoes.
- Sharyn is establishing a new garden and is growing lots of 'Dutch Cream' potatoes, peas, carrots, beetroot, garlic and shallots.
- Hartmut is pleased to have got two new vegie beds going despite the weather. He's had great success with custard apples, the individual

fruits of which he covers with lingerie bags (purchased from Daiso at Tweed) to protect them from the flying foxes. He and Sue are really pleased with the strawberry plants they purchased from Green Harvest, which they have interplanted with garlic. They make very good companions.

## Q & A

Q: Amanda got some cuttings of Okinawa spinach from the swap table and they're doing well. What does she do with the leaves?

A: Simply pick them off and steam them, use in salads or stir-fries.

Q: Gloria asked what is making holes in the skins of her citrus fruit?

A: Flying foxes.



## Wanted

### Worms

Simone is keen to establish a worm farm and would be grateful for donations of worms to get her own colony established. Please ring 02 6679 5747 if you can help.

### Fabric

Lynn O'Hara is seeking pure cotton remnants in bright floral or geometric patterns for a community charity project. No animal/sporting/Xmas/baby prints please or anything yellow (taboos exist in certain cultures).

## Terrific Tip

Jenny Kidd keeps a garbage bin filled with water in her vegie patch near the tap. When she's finished weeding her beds she simply tips the weeds into the water and lets nature do the rest. When she needs a bit of 'green tea' for fertilizer she just scoops some out of the bin. Too easy!

*(Ed: thanks to Nellmary and Bonnie for the lovely meeting pics)*



# July Garden Gathering

## Sue Holzknecht

It was one more of the beautiful days we have been having lately, with a cool breeze, a beautiful garden around us, and spectacular views across Fran and Tim's property to the sea.

Jenny Kidd, standing in for President Gillian who is cycling somewhere in Italy, welcomed over 57 old and new members and guests to the AGM and the meeting which followed. Details of the new committee will appear in the next newsletter.



Jenny reminded us that membership fees are due now, please pay into the UGC account or put the money into an envelope in the Treasurer's box at a meeting.

Fran is always looking for some new recipes, travellers' tales and photos for the newsletter. Please send contributions to her, to [ugcnews@gmail.com](mailto:ugcnews@gmail.com).

Great prizes on the raffle table this month, thank you Couz'n Lynn. Some good long-

handled cutters, bunches of roses from John Bennett, larger leather gloves, one of Lynne's lovely little succulent gardens, a white Sapote tree, and other desirable garden things.



## Seedbox Update

Hartmut brought us up to date on what is happening with the Seed Box. There are lots of new seeds available for sale to members @ 50 cents per packet!

However, he asked that all seed donations be put into a paper envelope, with:

- ⚙ **the name of the plant,**
- ⚙ **date collected,**
- ⚙ **location of the garden, and**
- ⚙ **as much other information as you can give on the plant, for example "Plant directly into ground/into seed raising mix/pots; sow in winter/spring/ summer/autumn/all year round".**

This will help those who buy the seeds to get the best result from them.

## Voluntary Work at Wedgetail Retreat

Hartmut also reported on the working bee on the old raised vegie/herb bed at Wedgetail Retreat. The old bed has been rehabilitated and replanted. A new raised bed has been built down the drive near the gate. It is bigger than the old one, and needs to be filled with bales of sugarcane mulch, soil mix, and to be planted up. Donations of manure, soil, and compost will be needed. Please contact Hartmut with offers of any of the above, and plants/seedlings. Several members have already given/pledged donations for bales of mulch: Marcella, Lynn, Barb, Martin, Brigitte, Sue., Annette, Fran and Tim among others. When the materials are brought together at Wedgetail, Hartmut will be asking for volunteers to join him to fill and plant up the new bed.



## Show & Tell

- ❖ Lynn has Richmond Birdwing Butterfly caterpillars on her vine. She posted photos and a video to the UGC Facebook page recently. Philip Wilson had shared some *Pararistolochia* vine seedlings a while ago. It is the host plant on which the butterflies lay their eggs and the caterpillars start eating. He recommended planting the vine in the shade as the female will only lay eggs in the shade.
- ❖ John Bennett announced that the Twin Towns Garden Club will be celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary soon. Jenny and NellMary will represent UGC at their function.
- ❖ Di Morrison and Jan Brooks will take over from Lynn Reid and Alex Deen as moderators of the UGC Forum Facebook page. Thank you Lynn and Alex for your efforts over the last year! Philip Wilson will remain Administrator. He told us there are now over 2,000 members, in 5 continents.



## Swap Table

Please remember that the Swap Table is for everyone to share. If you have brought one or two items, please take only one or two in exchange and let other members benefit. If there are more things left on the table, please feel free to come again after others have made their choices.

Fran contributed some bottles of worm wee, and empty glass jars. Marcella and Philip have several filing cabinets to give away. Please contact them for details and to pick up. Jackie brought some yacon tubers. Sue and Hartmut brought parsley and coriander seedlings and some copies of *Bamboo* magazine.

## Q & A

- Diana asked about her Dragon fruit cutting: it has roots either end. The consensus was to plant it horizontally, and roots will grow from along the cutting.
- Brigitte asked where to buy a worm farm? Answer: Bunnings. Marketplace. Why not use polystyrene boxes?
- Martin wants to find some old oil drums in which to burn rubbish outside. Tim O'Hara has some, but be careful! Residue in them can explode.
- Sue asked: what's wrong with my lemons? They all have a dull deposit on the surface. Answer: Don says it is from an insect. Spray alternately with white oil/Neem oil weekly when weather is warmer, for a couple of months, September to November. Prune the trees first, cut out all citrus wasp galls.
- Kate: what plant is this? Philip identified it as pink *Tabebuia*. He used his "What Plant is That?" app.
- Fran asked Don to identify a plant around the back of her house. It was a Euphorbia.
- Fran also asked if she could cut her pawpaw tree down, so that she can pick the fruit from ground level. Answer: Don said yes, cut to whatever height is convenient. It will shoot from below the cut. Cover the cut so rain does not get in eg with an empty tin can. Put a handful of lime around the base now.
- Peter asked whether the garden soil from Lismore was good. Answer: Don said yes, very good. All the material from the Tweed green bins is now going to Lismore for processing. Someone [Lynn?] described it as "Black Gold"! He suggested that if people were interested in sharing a load it would be cheaper. Martin offered to follow this up. [Ed. The Lismore compost-making facility recently burned. See: <https://www.northernstar.com.au/news/toxic-lismore-tip-fire-could-take-days-to-fully-ex/3804352/>]
- Mark asked when was a good time to plant bananas? Answer: Don said it is too early now. Wait until the start of September.



- Jackie: should she dig up hyacinth bulbs after flowering? Answer: John Bennett says dig them up and put in the crisper of your fridge. Plant again next April.
- Philip asked if anyone was growing Asian mushrooms, eg Shiitake, Enoki etc? Answer: One can buy growing kits from Gary at the Caldera Market, Murwillumbah, on Wednesday mornings..
- Fran asked what to plant now, after cabbages and beetroot? Should she renew the beds? Answer: Plant low feeders, eg onions, carrots, in beds that have had cabbages which are gross feeders. Brigitte said that her friend Bill said to pile on the compost and manure after harvesting, and grow anything!

## Fran & Tim's Property

Fran and Tim bought their 17.5 ha property in 2006, while living in Sydney. The soil was poor, the land was bare, having been a banana farm. They now grow finger limes (c.270), and avocados (c. 50).

The house is 100% solar powered, with 20 solar panels and storage batteries. They have had no power bills for 12 years. They collect rainwater in tanks: 2 x 34,000 litre tanks plus 2 X 10,000 litre tanks and have never run out of water since installing the tanks.



Many of the plants in their garden have come from Garden Club members. Fran showed before and after photos, which revealed an amazing transformation. The terracing has been massive and the planting continues...



Fran and Tim have 3 cats who are entirely indoor cats, with a luxurious Kitty Condo built onto the side of the house. (pic at left)

Toilets are all composting and waste water is filtered through a bed of Callistemons and then fed into the forest below.

Tim spoke about accessing regeneration grants from the Tweed Shire Council. A bush regeneration company comes quarterly and assists with maintaining the planting and work done under the grants and Fran and Tim (well – mainly Tim) continue the work of planting, weedkilling and generally revegetation to restore the land upon which they live. They have been rewarded with the masses of birds that have returned and also koalas who now call Clothiers Creek home. Tim said that applying for grants is easier if one does the courses/attends seminars about how to apply for grants! Just keep an eye out in the *Tweed Link* or consider joining Tweed Landcare for up-to-date information.



After afternoon tea, yet another feast, Fran and Tim led tours around the gardens and veggie patch (pic at left & harvest from the veggie patch below centre).

Thank you Tim and Fran. It was a truly lovely day in your beautiful garden!





## Lost Property Looking For Owners

These items have been left at various meetings and we would love to find homes for them please. If they are yours please come and collect them from the Lost Property Box at a meeting soon. Any items left at the end of September will be donated to the TPC Op Shop.



## A Message Of Thanks...



Kate would like to say a huge "THANK YOU" to all those who provided such beautiful lemons for this year's juicing...especially Tim, Anne, Sue and Hartmut. I really appreciate this bountiful harvest and sharing among UGC friends. My own little tree is slowly coming into production. It is less than 4 years old and already pumping out delicious fruit, but it will be a while till I can boast a harvest like I was used to at Colefax Court.



## Don't forget the Bus Trip - Saturday 5th October 2019

We are off to the **Brisbane Garden & Plant Expo 2019** at Brookfield Showground on Saturday October 5.

<https://plantexpo.com.au/>

**Departure:** 7.45 am from bus pick-up Knox Park, Murwillumbah

**Cost:** \$25 members

\$30 non members

**Money must be paid by Food Group Meeting in September.**

**Return:** By 5pm to Knox Park

**What to bring:** Hat, water, comfy shoes, lunch if you wish (there should be food stalls), bags to bring home your newly acquired goodies

**Payment Details:** Direct deposit

- BSB: 722 744 (Southern Cross Credit Union)
- Account: 90867 (Uki Garden Club)
- Reference: Surname + BT

Any queries please contact Jan Brooks: 02 6672 2316 or 0406 620 628

# Members' Recipes

## Gluten-free Spiced Pear Cake – Kirsteen Hornick

Kirsteen was asked to share the recipe for the cake she brought to the July Food Group so here it is (Pic courtesy of Bonnie).

### Ingredients

- 3 firm pears, cored and sliced into thin wedges
- 4 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon cardamom powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 200g castor sugar
- 200g unsalted butter, softened
- 3 eggs
- 2 teaspoons gluten-free baking powder
- 200g almond meal



### Method:

1. Preheat oven to 175-200°C (depending on your oven).
2. Line a 28cm round springform tin with baking paper and grease the sides well.
3. Mix the pear pieces, brown sugar and spices in a bowl and arrange in a spiral round and round until all pears are used (probably need to put some in the middle too).
4. In an electric mixer beat castor sugar and butter on high until pale, light and fluffy. Add the eggs one at a time, beating well in between additions. Finally add the almond meal and baking powder.
5. Place the mixture carefully over the pears (it's a bit thickish).
6. Bake for 40 mins or until a skewer comes out clean, and cool in the tin.
7. Then run a knife around the edge to release the cake from the sides and release the spring on the side of the tin. Remove the sides and turn the cake upside down. Base and baking paper should come off easily.

## Bunya Bunya House Treats – Mark Collison

Mark shared these delicious treats at the July Garden Gathering – definitely worth trying this recipe!

### Famous Cinnamon Shortbreads

The recipe is on the side of the McKenzie Rice Flour packet but use half the sugar. Bake at 170C until light nut brown –30-40min

### Delectable Blueberry Banana Muffins

- 1 over-ripe banana (black skin)
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 dessertspoons honey
- 2 dessertspoons plain yoghurt
- 1 –1.5 cups self-raising flour
- 3/4 punnet blueberries.

Mix together, spoon into paper muffin cups and bake at 190°C until cooked ~ 20-25min





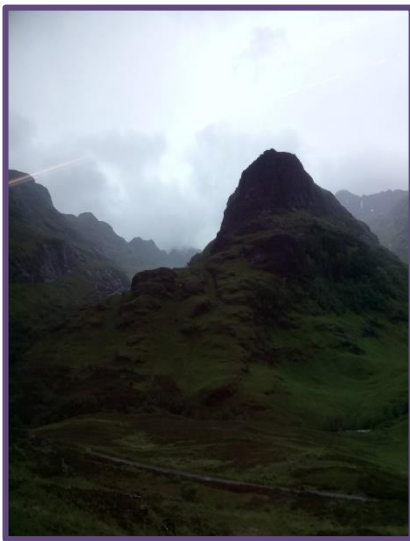
# On the Road Again – Travellers' Tales

## Scotland with Jan & Axel – Part 2 of their trip

Part 2 of our trip was to meet up with my brother and sister-in-law in Scotland and do a train tour with them.

For those who have been to Scotland you know how unpredictable the weather is and it did not disappoint! Our first day in Edinburgh was play 'spot the castle'.

There were 42 of us on the tour - half of them Australian the other half mainly Americans and English. The first part of our trip took us from Edinburgh to Glasgow where we connected with the West Highland Line.



This train took us up along the Firth of Clyde, past Loch Lomond, Rannoch (the highest station in Scotland) and on to Fort William. The track goes through some very isolated moorland. We were picked up by coach and driven to our hotel at Ballachulish for the next 3 nights. Ballachulish is at one end of Glencoe and is an awe-inspiring place with an horrific history. While we were there we did a day trip to Oban and out to Isle of Mull to Duart Castle, saw Neptune's Staircase (a series of locks at Fort William for the boats), Hogwarts Express and a cruise on Loch Linnhe.

Day 4 saw us back in Fort William to catch the Hogwarts express out to Mallaig. One of the highlights was when we crossed the Glenfinnan viaduct. People were standing in fields and along the track, anywhere they could get a photo as the train passed over it. From Mallaig we were coached across to Inverness where we spent 3 nights. Inverness had some beautiful gardens growing some plants I have never seen before.



Day 6 was a cruise on Loch Ness (no we didn't see Nessie) and to Urquart Castle. Day 7 saw us travelling across wild country by train to Kyle of Lochalsh. A quick trip over the bridge to the Isle of Skye and back to Eilean Donan Castle. Coach back to Inverness. The next day we were back on the Inverness to Edinburgh train for our last night in Edinburgh, where we stayed on the Royal Mile.

Our last morning was made all the more interesting with the fire alarm going off and the whole hotel had to be evacuated. There was some very unusual attire to be seen as some people had still been in bed!

I found this trip interesting as I saw parts of Scotland that I'd not seen before and those parts that I had seen were from a different aspect. If you don't mind the weather changing every five minutes, go, as you will be treated to amazing scenery and warm friendly people.





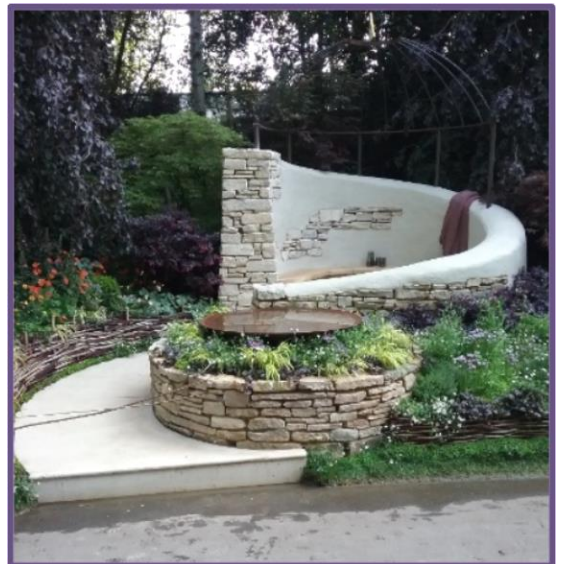
# Chelsea Flower Show 2019 – Dot Francis

Anticipating a hectic day, and loads of visitors, my friend Ruth and I arrived quite early, and were so very glad we did, as viewing & photographing exhibits proved to be far easier. Our minds boggled at the variety of cultivars of the likes of rhododendrons, roses, orchids, etc. And of course, many plants we'd never seen before, let alone even heard of!

By 4.30pm, the crowds were like a 'wall of people' entering the gates. Time for us to exit asap!

Of Trade displays, we saw only a few as they went on...and on...and on! One I found of interest was a hot compost bin that anything & everything can be thrown in. The heat generated sterilises the soil so no fear of disease being passed on. Unfortunately, they are not selling it in Oz just yet. While not particularly cheap, all Green Bin waste could go in one & would eliminate the need for said bin. Plus of course an ample supply of compost for the garden.

Some of the highlights of the show appear below.



Above: This was a favourite of mine with its simplicity of style.



L: A fine display of carnivorous plants.



R: Who would have thought the onion family had such lovely flowers?!





L: A choir of lupins.

R: A lovely display



L: This display had the appearance of being there for 100 years, but was only done for the Flower Show!! Such clever folk!

R: This would have been fun to construct!



L: The vegetable display.

R: Gorgeous rhododendrons



### A couple of other tidbits of interesting info from the UK

- ⚙ Rhododendrons are a weed in Scotland & drives are held to curb their growing numbers!
- ⚙ Did you know that Plane trees, common everywhere in London, perform a special service to the environment? The specific ones grown as street trees are bred, not as usual to absorb carbon dioxide, but instead, to absorb *carbon monoxide*!! The air is certainly very clean compared to my last visit some years ago.

Dot Francis



# Wisley - the 'Jewel in the Crown' of the Royal Horticultural Society – Richard Stile (Cat Hill Allotments & our UK correspondent)

We all know the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) from its famed flower shows; Tatton Park, Malvern, Hampton Court and Chelsea. But it is the gardens and education centres at Hyde Hall (Essex), Rosemoor (Cornwall), Harlow Carr (Yorkshire) and Wisley (Surrey) that show us what the organisation is really about.

A charity, in existence for 215 years, it is largely funded from membership fees as well as all the above. The education centres attract students from all over the world and the extensive test beds ensure that when we buy a plant with an RHS merit award it really should do well.



A new "Welcome Centre" at Wisley replaces the old entrance and includes a new restaurant and huge new plant sales area as well as an extended shop where you can buy all that is garden related and much more that isn't! Too much hard standing for us but it has to cope with 2 million visitors each year. Other than that the garden has not changed and still provides inspiration for us all.



Walking around the garden all the old favourites are still there; the glass house with its 3 climatic zones is home to all the tender plant collections, the rock garden climbing up from the water garden and by the alpine meadow (alas past its best bar a lovely lone wild orchid). All around us were some really stunning mixed planting combinations; while it was never easy to see the name tags of the plants we will do our best to replicate at home. Through the rock garden we popped into the vegetable garden to pick up tips for the allotment, new varieties etc. In the "Bonsai Walk" was a really beautiful Satsuki Rhododendron, estimated to be 80 years old and in full bloom. Magnificent!



Around every corner there was something memorable like the glasshouse dry borders with the White Burnett (*Sanguisorba canadensis*), Salvia, Kniphofia and the ornamental grasses. Our visit soon came to an end – a place where time flies and a day is so easily spent. A few of the choice plants, trees and planting combinations that we found the most inspiring are in the pictures below.





# August Job File

## Julia Hancock

- Prune Hibiscus by at least one third and give them a feed with Dynamic Lifter
- Mulch Magnolias, Camellias and Azaleas deeply to prevent their roots from drying out this summer.
- Did you know that yellow leaves on Gardenias are quite natural at this time of the year? So don't worry that your plant is dying. Let nature take its course and simply boost the new growth with a bit of Dynamic Lifter sprinkled around the base of the bush and watered in well. However, if your Gardenia has lots of sooty mould on the leaves, prune it back, spray with Natrasoap and then follow up with a spray of white oil after the next heavy rainfall (if we ever get one, that is).
- Custard apples grow well with a dose of trace elements now and again during this time.
- Make sure potatoes are well covered with mulch to prevent them turning green.
- If using the new season cane mulch in your garden please make sure to wear a face mask to avoid inhaling any of the cane dust as this can cause serious health issues. Disposable face masks are cheap at hardware stores and are well worth the expenditure of a few dollars.
- Now is a great time to pay some attention to your citrus trees by feeding and mulching them well. Cut out all Citrus Gall Wasp galls and dispose of them carefully.



- Plant some Marigolds around your veggies as their aroma repels insects such as aphids and grasshoppers.
- Prune Poinsettias and Snowflake bushes (both *Euphorbias*) by two thirds when they have finished flowering to prevent legginess.
- Encourage insects, birds and other wildlife to your garden by planting species that are rich sources of nectar and seeds. Look for labels on plants that state they are wildlife attracting. Cottage garden plants are pretty, easy to grow and lend themselves to companion planting. Some species to try this spring include primulas, daisies, chrysanthemums, any of the *Salvia* family, and herbs such as mint, oregano, sage, thyme, basil and lavender.



## Aaaah – those were the days....

From "This week in your garden" by Waratah (PJ Hurley) – first published in 1951 and republished in November 1962 by Dymocks and found in my dear Mum's collection...

"New sprays, fungicides, weedicides and particularly insecticides have come in, putting to shame most old ones.

Older DDT is still a splendid controller of many pests. Selective weedicides are still a bit risky in the hands of novices, but I have dealt with the proven ones, 24D, 245T and others throughout these pages."

Oh my...how times have changed!!!





## Membership Renewals Still Due

A membership renewal form was attached to the May newsletter. If you haven't already – please complete the form and either bring it to a meeting or scan and email it to [ugcnews@gmail.com](mailto:ugcnews@gmail.com) ASAP.

Renewal fees can be paid either at a meeting via an envelope with your completed form into the Treasurer's Box or by direct deposit to the Club account – details as below:

- BSB: 722-744 (Southern Cross Credit Union)
- Account: 90867 (Uki Garden Club Inc)
- Reference: Surname + renewal

Please remember to put your name on the deposit or envelope so our Treasurer can match your renewal to your name.

## Open Gardens

- ❖ Glenrock Gardens Tenterfield has an Open Garden on Sundays in the coming months. Please see:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/news-and-events/events/glenrock-gardens-open-garden/>

- ❖ Brewery Hill Native garden, Gympie, is also open on 7 September. Please see:

<https://www.facebook.com/BreweryHill/>

There will also be other gardens open in the area on that day.



### A Family Father's Day Treat Free Entry

#### **BIGGER and BETTER in 2019**

- Rare and Interesting Collectible Plants
- Diverse native and non-native plants
- Succulents
- Edible plants
- Vegies, Herbs and Fruit Trees
- Decorative garden items and tools
- Beautiful fragrant fresh cut flowers
- Botanical related arts and crafts in action
- Knowledgeable Information Session
- Speakers
- Food, coffee and drinks available or bring a picnic

#### **Noosa Botanic Gardens**

Lake Macdonald Drive, Lake Macdonald, Cooroy

## New Home for Poster Paradise

The indefatigable Sandra Guthrie has relocated her shop to the Top of the Town centre near the junction of Wollumbin Street and Nullum Street in what used to be Jim's Cycles.

Sandra is always incredibly helpful and efficient when doing photocopying and laminating jobs for the Garden Club and is looking forward to setting up her new shop – parking is so much easier there than in Main Street.

She's also hoping to establish a parcel drop off and collection point for Fastways – very useful for people living out of town.





## August Garden Gathering

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2pm start time.

In the garden of Tim Hunt  
96 Hunter Street, Burringbar  
0413 868 218

Adam from Flogardens will be giving a talk on ponds.  
Please wear sturdy shoes as the ground is uneven.

**Directions on how to get there:** Go along Tweed Valley Way, south from Murwillumbah, past the sign to turn into Broadway, turn right into Hunter Street. There is ample parking on the road

## September Food Group Meeting

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August starting at 9.30am.

At the home of Philip Wilson and Richard McKenna  
29 Eaglehawk Close, Tyalgum  
02 6679 2140, 0414 414 226

**Directions on how to get there:**

Drive exactly 4km past the Tyalgum General Store, past Flutterbies Cafe and the Tyalgum Public School to Eaglehawk Close. Circular driveway can be used for drop-offs, but please park on the adjacent road where there is plenty of room.

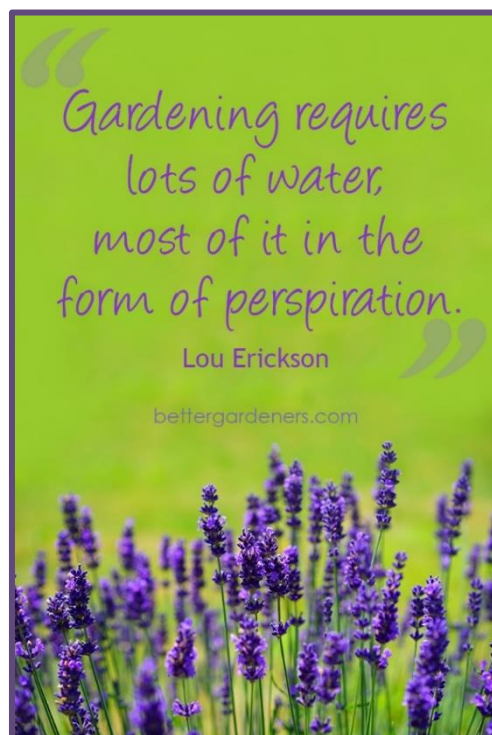
For both meetings please bring along your cup, chair, a hat, plate to share and any produce or plants for the swap table.

## That's all Folks...

Well, that's it for this month. Thanks to all the contributors for another full newsletter.

Keep sending your hints, tips, recipes, travel stories, bragging photos to us at [ugcnews@gmail.com](mailto:ugcnews@gmail.com)

And thanks as always to our printer – Sandra Guthrie at **Poster Paradise**. Drop in for a visit to her new home!



# Uki Garden Club

## Calendar of Events - August to December

### Schedule For Food Group Meetings

MONTH DATE TIME	HOST NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
<b>September</b> Tuesday 10 9.30am	Philip Wilson and Richard McKenna	29 Eaglehawk Close Tyalgum	02 6679 2140 0414 414 226
<b>October</b> Tuesday 8 9.30am	Marie Luxford and Peter Hall	17 Dallis Court Murwillumbah	0401 833 164
<b>November</b> Tuesday 12 9.30am	Sue and Hartmut Holtzknecht	12 Waranga Crescent Burringbar	02 6677 1772 0448 880 239
<b>December</b> Tuesday 10 11.00am XMAS PARTY	Mark Collison	10 Grants Rd Uki	0412 609 351

### Schedule For Garden Gatherings

MONTH DATE TIME	HOST NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
August Saturday 31 2pm	Tim Hunt	96 Hunter Street Burringbar	0413 868 218
September Saturday 28 2pm	Jan Brooks and Axel Neumann	7 Armitage Court Nunderi	02 6672 2316
October 5th 7.45am	Bus Trip to Brisbane Garden Expo	Knox Park. Cost = \$25 for members and \$30 for non members. Money due by 10 <sup>th</sup> September	contact Jan Brooks 02 6672 2316 0406 620 628
October Saturday 26 2pm	John Bennett	4 Mount Barney Ct Murwillumbah	02 6672 8810 0406 542 764
November Saturday 27 11am XMAS PARTY	Don and Sandra Capner	Morning Song 108 Farrants Road Farrants Hill Condong	02 6677 7244