

Glebe Garden Club (Ipswich)

June – July 2015 Newsletter



June Meeting

Welcome to all our new members and guests who attended our recent June Meeting. Although many people were away due to the long weekend, we still had another good turnout. Our feature presentation this month was a Q&A forum with a panel of horticultural experts. All sorts of questions were addressed from pest identification in roses, leaf disease identification, stunted growth, seed propagation and general recommendations for a range of gardening issues. It was a great interactive forum with the microphone making its way all around the hall.

We heard from Peter who updated us with club news and upcoming gardening shows and events; we heard from Faye who gave us some highlights of our recent bus trip to 'The Shambles' garden in Maleny; was introduced to Lee, the newest member of our club committee;



we modelled the new club shirts and David gave a brief talk on a couple of his wife Desleighs' plants that he had brought in for our Show and Tell segment.



David with his 'Show and Tell' plants and wearing our new club shirt

'Happy Birthday' wishes to our June Birthday club members and congratulations to this month's lucky door prize winners! Finally, a huge thank you to our panel members, who did a fantastic job answering everyone's questions - Craig Jurd, John Craigie, Paul Smith and Heather Knowles.



A very "Happy Birthday" to our June Birthday club members. We hope you enjoy your gift and discount vouchers

July Meeting

We shall be welcoming back Heather Knowles as the guest speaker for our July meeting (04/07/2015) where Heather will be presenting on Australian Natives in SE QLD. Heather holds a double diploma in Horticulture and is a long-time member of SGAP. She is the owner of Newerah Native Nursery at Ebenezer and has had articles printed in the Sub-Tropical gardening magazine. Heather has been a previous speaker at our club and has held a stall at our annual Garden Expo for a number of years. We look forward to seeing you at our July meeting!

Bus Trip to 'The Shambles'

What a fantastic time we had on our bus trip. The sun was shining, a crisp breeze kept us alert (and wrapped up) and a lovely time was had by all, appreciating 'The Shambles' garden and the many delights of Maleny and the surrounding countryside, which is just beautiful at this time of year.

Our first stop was at Burpengary for a lovely morning tea and then we soon found ourselves at The Shambles being welcomed by owners Kyleigh and Michael Simpson. Their garden was an



inspiration, with meandering paths, garden 'rooms' and nooks everywhere you looked. Plenty of benches were to be found, where you could sit in peace and enjoy the surroundings. A quaint little cabin was found at the bottom of the garden that felt like you were transported to an earlier time in history. Beautiful blooms everywhere you looked and in particular, some stunning



Enjoying 'The Shambles' garden

Red Hot Pokers which stole the show. There was something for everyone in this garden and it was also interesting to note that apart from when they first plant in a species, the garden was never watered and relied purely on rainfall.

Our next stop was at a lovely gift shop, café and nursery called "The Garden Maleny". I believe quite a few of us spent a little cash here! We then took a break for lunch at Mary Cairncross Park, which had an awesome view across the hinterland and some delightful bush walks.

Our next stop before heading home was the township of Maleny where we were able to spend some free time browsing through the shops and indulging in ice creams, fudge and coffees.

As with all such trips, there is

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our website
lately?

Check out our
new blog
"In Bloom"
for all club news
and gardening
tips.



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Facebook?

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Facebook page:
"Glebe Garden
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Pop by to say
Hi, make a
comment or ask
a question

always a lot of effort that goes in to its planning, so a warm thank you goes out to everyone who helped on the day and prepared refreshments and food. A special thank you to Mavis and Faye for the organisation of the trip, Trevallan Lifestyle Centre for the lucky door prize gift vouchers and to John, our regular bus driver who kept us all safe and well entertained! To see some photos of the day, visit our Facebook page or our blog 'In Bloom' on our website.

Winter Planting



CHILLY PEPPERS

Slowed growth during winter provides an opportunity to tackle major landscaping projects like making new garden beds, paving, constructing pergolas or building retaining walls. Frost plagues inland gardeners, but elsewhere attention should be paid to making optimum use of scarce water resources.

Seasonal Tasks:

1. Plant roses, deciduous trees, shrubs and frangipani cuttings.
2. Prune roses, deciduous plants and swollen gall wasp stems on citrus.
3. Relocate poorly positioned trees and shrubs to new areas.
4. Control carrot-like bindii weed in lawns to avoid painful burrs during summer.



5. Fertilise citrus, passionfruit, native plants and emerging bulbs, then water well.

**June, July, August
Vegetables to plant**

Carrot, cauliflower, lettuce, radish, spring onion, turnip, beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, french beans, garlic, leeks, potatoes, pumpkin, silver beet, squash, swede, sweet potato, tomato, capsicum, celery, endive, onion, parsnip, peas and spinach

**June, July, August
Flowers to plant**

Alyssum, petunia, marigold, amaranthus, begonia, cosmos, celosia, gomphrena, phlox, portulaca, salvia, sunflower, torenia, zinnia, calendula, cornflower, dianthus, kale, lobelia, nemesia, pansy, phlox, statice, strawflower, viola, candytuft, cineraria, clarkia, delphinium, English daisy, godetia, hollyhock, larkspur, linaria, lupin, nigella, polyanthus, poppy, primula, schizanthus, snapdragon, stock, sweet pea, sweet william, & wallflower



assistance you are able to give would be greatly appreciated. It is the wonderful support of our members that makes our expo such a great day for the entire community. We'll let you know of more details during our July meeting.

As a bit of a teaser, we are extraordinarily pleased to announce that we have 'gardening royalty' Jerry Coleby-Williams and Noel Burdette joining us as Key Speakers for the expo.



Jerry Coleby-Williams and Noel Burdette are just two of our key speakers at our Expo.



**Ipswich Home
Gardeners Expo[®]**

**Saturday 29th August
8:30am to 3:00pm.**

Tell all your friends and help spread the word!

Our annual Expo is nearly here and we'll be calling for volunteers during our July club meeting. Rosters for the areas that we shall need help with will be displayed on the club noticeboard. Any

Visit our new Expo website for information on our key speakers programme, site map, visitor information and more. This website will be updated with even more information the closer we get to the Expo.

www.expo.glebegardenclubipswich.com.au

Reminders

Show and Tell

Do you have something you are proud of or would like to show? We would love for you to share it with us! Bring your show and tell item(s) to the next meeting and advise Peter Arnett.

Club Shirts

During our June meeting, a few of our committee members bravely modelled our new club shirts for everyone to see. We believe the general consensus was they "looked very smart". If you would like to purchase a shirt, please see David at his desk by the library and bring in a shirt from home (that is comfortable and fits well) so we can take your measurements from that for a perfect fit. The cost of the shirts are \$27.50 each.



Mens and womens polo shirt examples





Did you know?

Apples float in water because they are 25% air.

In one teaspoon of soil there are 2 billion bacteria and millions of fungi protozoa.

The cabbage contains nearly as much water as watermelon. Watermelon contains 92% water where cabbage is 90% and carrots are 87%.

Committee members

If you have any ideas that may be beneficial to our club functions and/or activities, our committee members would love to hear from you. Perhaps you have some club news or gardening advice you would like to share in our newsletter. Feel free to contact us by phone, by person or via email.

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About our club

The Glebe Garden Club (Ipswich) was formed in November 1999. While it is an outreach ministry of the Glebe Road Uniting Church, its primary role is that of a garden club servicing the community and open for anyone in the community to join and become a member. The club operates in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere,

is multifunctional in its activities and does not specialise in any particular area or plant species. It is a general garden club!

The Glebe Garden Club conducts its club functions on the first Saturday of every month (except January) commencing at 1.30 pm. We meet in the big hall of the Glebe Road Uniting Church, cnr Glebe Rd and Green Street, Booval.

While the program for each club function varies, the format revolves around a guest speaker, helpful hints, gardening news, question time, birthday club, lucky door prizes, and afternoon tea. The cost of each club function is \$2.00 per person. Members can also become financial members at a cost of \$10.00 each year, or \$15.00 per couple.

Club activities have not been limited to in-doors, but also outdoor activities, some being bus trips, visiting personal gardens and parks, and presenting horticultural displays at various shows. The club has also taken on a project, in conjunction with the Ipswich City Council, to re-furbish and re-open Queen's Park Glass House to the public.

The focus of the club has, and will always be, people. Because the club involves members from many walks of life, it is totally focused towards the sensitivity of its members. It is often in sharing and working alongside others that the greatest bonds of friendship are built, and meaningful dialogue takes place. You are most welcome at the Glebe Garden Club!

Until next time...
Happy Gardening! 😊
(Editor)

