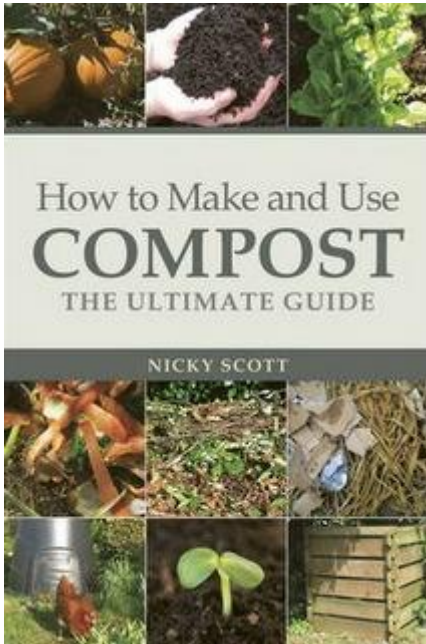


GLEBE GARDEN CLUB NEWSLETTER MAY
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Our Garden Club Function for May was held on Saturday 7th and Vice-President David presided in the absence of President Peter, who is on sick leave. We wish Peter a speedy recovery back to good health. Our Guest Speaker for the afternoon was Paul Smith, who gave an informative talk on Gerberas and Ferns. Paul had a large display of Plants for sale and Members were eager to buy.

SHOW AND TELL – John spoke on Composting and advised us to read the Book “Compost” by Nicky Scott which is in our Library for anyone to borrow.



He then asked Desleigh to talk on her experience with the Bokoshi Kitchen Compost Bucket, which is a handy Kitchen item. This is now available from Bunnings and is very convenient for Food Scraps. You can have it on your Kitchen Bench or Patio as it does not smell. Desleigh also spoke on the Tumbler Compost Bin, which is another form of making compost.



John then invited Faye to talk on her Composta Planter as she invested in one recently and is happy with it.

Faye reported that her Herbs were growing well and she recommended it for small gardens. John then concluded his talk with advice on what you can compost. He said it is a wonderful way to re-cycle all spent plant material, and the garden will benefit from it all.

FRIENDSHIP DAY - On the 16th May, John and Del represented the Club at the Ormeau Friendship Day which was held at Yatala. The Guest Speaker for the Day was the “Butterfly Lady” (Jo Hammond from Ferny Grove). She talked on the various plants to grow to bring Butterflies into your garden, and had Plants for sale.



Insect Box in the Yatala Garden -

CATERING AT MT COOTHA - on the 21/22 May we did the catering for the Brisbane Plant Fair, which was a great success.

Before the Rush!



There were some wonderful plants for sale. A Garden's Paradise.



Thank you to all who helped in any way to make this the success it was.

BUS TRIP – We journeyed south by



First stop was "Bamboo down Under" for Morning Tea and a walk through the Bamboo Forest



Rick, the owner, gave us an informative talk about all things Bamboo, and his hopes for expansion in the future.



The Bamboo Maze was another interesting feature at "Bamboo down Under".

Our Next stop was at the "Tropical Fruit World" for lunch and a trip via their carriage mover through the farm to view the Fruit Trees and taste some of the fruits.



It was a nice sunny day to be on the farm amongst the abundance of Fruit. Dragon Fruit was also growing well with plenty to buy from the Shop.

Jack Fruit and Bananas in abundance.



It is a wonderful place to visit and David recommended the Fruit Parfait for Dessert



David also told Jokes along the way to amuse us all.

Our final stop for the day was at the Kingscliff Nursery, which was massive and Members were able to purchase plants at a reasonable price, so the bus was loaded with plants for our homeward journey.



The owner also generously donated plants for our Lucky Draw. Congratulations to those who were lucky to win one.



Lichen growing on an old Avocado Tree at the Nursery.

Thank you Desleigh and David for a great day of visiting interesting places and also to Leigh, our driver, for the comfortable ride and getting us to the various places on time. A great day spent with friends and seeing how others grow their gardens.



TARA VALLEY

New Release Plants

LOTS A' LEMONS is a dwarf Meyer Lemon Tree, which produces large juicy Meyer Lemons, a naturally sweet variety. A low maintenance plant due to their smaller size and can be kept in a pot.



Water well and feed regularly in the growing season, particularly leading up to winter.

TAHITIAN LIME - The Tahitian Lime is easy to grow and looks fantastic with its lush green foliage and zesty green fruit. Can be grown in pots in a sheltered, sunny position. Water regularly, especially when fruiting.

These wonderful Citrus Plants are available at Bunnings or ask at your favourite Retail Outlet.

Tara Valley Nursery is at 348 California Creek Road, CORNUBIA, Q. 4130.
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