



2025 Club Function Program

IUC Activities Hall 1:30 PM - First Saturday of each month
 98/104 Glebe Road, Booval Entry - \$2.00 Financial - \$4.00 Unfinancial members

Speaker for 3rd May 2025

Neutrog have changed the way they approach soil enrichment and create fertilisers that are nutrient rich and microbiologically diverse. Accordingly, Neutrog have embraced the bugs, turned chicken poo into a micro-biotic wonderland, creating fertilisers that are alive and safe. They are more microbiologically diverse, making them more robust, adaptable, and more tolerant to drought, heat, and frost. Their fertilisers are sustainable, self-evolving and perpetual, promoting soil vitality and nutrient uptake, ensuring optimum performance. Their applications are far-reaching – from farmers, to growers, to home gardeners. Today, Brian Klepzig is representing Neutrog and will speak on their products. Do not miss this talk.

Speaker for 7th June 2025

For Kate Harbourn, beekeeping started off in 2014 when her husband Daniel wanted to get bees to pollinate their vegetable garden. Kate was hesitant at that time having had a nasty stinging experience with her grandfather's bees at a young age. Fortunately, a bee keeping mentor taught them about bees. Kate become more and more interested about the bees and opened "Spring Mountain Honey" which is a family-owned business. They do not use any chemicals and produce tasty 100% raw honey. Kate has also expanded her business by making honey soaps and other associated products. Today, Kate will speak on "Honeybees, Honey and Related Products." There will be many different products available for sale.

Speaker for 5th July 2025

Due to popular demand, this meeting will consist of a Gardening Panel of expert horticulturalists. The panel will be here to answer your many questions about your garden, plants, soils, weeds, and pests etc. This year the club has another expert panel consisting of Brian Heath, Jason Hauser, and Chelsea Allan. You can be assured the panel will answer any questions you have in relation to gardening, plants, pests, and soils. In recent years, this has proved a very popular information filled meeting, so bring along plant and weed samples, and questions about your garden that you would like the panel to answer.

Lucky door prizes, plant stall, birthday club, library, afternoon tea, new plant releases, special guest speakers and more.

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Speaker for 2nd August 2025

Fifty-five years ago, Bernard Yorke made an important decision about his work/life balance. He developed a passion for begonias and the continuous improvement of rhizomatous begonias. In the process he became one of the foremost breeders of our time. Bernard Yorke is a lawyer and cultivating begonias balanced his life, which brings him endless joy. Begonias have been described as the most rapidly growing genus on Earth. There are now 2,000 described species found worldwide in subtropical and tropical climates. Many of Bernard's begonias are prized in the USA, one recent garden show comprised entirely of hybrids he has produced. We welcome Bernard today as he speaks on Begonias.

Speaker for 6th September 2025

Brian Heath grew up on a fruit and vegetable farm in southern NSW before commencing his career as a science and math's teacher, and principal for 33+ years in NSW schools. Brian then worked for 6 years with Rosella Orchids in sales and the development of the nursery - which is now one of the larger orchid nurseries in Australia. During this time, Lynn and Brian conducted talks for clubs and were the keynote speaker for the Tasmanian Orchid Conference during 2019. Brian is very knowledgeable about plants, is an excellent speaker. Brian speaks at the Marburg Expo and today he is speaking on "Expanding Your Garden Through Propagation". Again, this talk is strongly recommended.

Speaker for 4th October 2025

Chris Nikolic wanted to have his own little Native Plants Nursery and establish his very own botanical garden with plants from all over Australia, particularly the more rare, unusual hard to find genus species. Chris bought a 50-acre property in Tallegalla and has planted over 3000 Australian native plants in many gardens. Most of what is planted are years of research and collecting. Smarty Plants Nursery keeps within the theme of rare, unusual and hard to find plants. A particular favourite being Grevillea, followed by Acacia – a lot of which he propagates himself. Today, Chris will be speaking on "Grafted Grevilleas".

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