



# Glebe Garden Club (Ipswich)

Proud presenters of the Ipswich Home Gardener's Expo

An activity of the Ipswich Uniting Church – Glebe Road



## 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 1st November 2025

Cameron was born and raised in Ipswich by a farming family. He is the founder of "Ipswich Plant Swap" and is the winner of this year's "Grow It Local" award for Australia's most "Sustainable Gardener". Cameron is a champion of sustainable gardening, upcycling and harnessing nature's systems to create bountiful gardens at no cost. He graduated at University as a Wildlife Biologist, going on to study Environment Health & Horticulture. Cameron is a motivated educator of sustainability, waste prevention and environmental health. He is a qualified environmental professional with a Bachelor of Applied Science, and a Graduate Diploma of Environmental Health.

As a result, Cameron worked as an environmental regulator with State Government for seven years" and is currently employed in the ICC as the Community Project Officer. Today, Cameron will be talking on "Sustainable Low-Cost Gardening".

### Speaker for 6th December 2025

This is the club's fun last function for the year, ending a very exciting and successful year. This is especially so as we celebrated another club Birthday Anniversary last month. Being Christmas, we all depart today with a special Christmas gift from your club.

Ruth Higgins has been growing succulents since 1970 after which her husband became interested in them as well, and they have since become a passion. Ruth has a couple of large gardens planted out with all types of succulents as well as a plant house containing plants which need a little extra care. Ruth joined the CSSQ Inc. when we first became interested and has been President for 2 terms, on the Committee. Additionally, for almost all that time Ruth has been the Membership Secretary for approx. 30 years. This is Ruth's first time at our club, and she will be talking on "Explaining Succulents"

**NOTE: Plant Stalls---To be held on Saturday---26<sup>th</sup> April---30<sup>th</sup> August**

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

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Kat Pearson is an ex-engineer, recently turned horticulturist, and is a club member living in Wynnum. She bought her house in 2018, that being a small weatherboard 1960's house on a big block of grass. Kat loves gardening and has steadily turned most of the grass into gardens, creating a little slice of paradise. Accordingly, Kat grows edibles and ornamentals in an often wild, rambling jungle, filled with birds and bugs, including a handful of pet chooks and a dog. Kat has integrated a lot of tropical plants with the edible/perennial plants she grows, and today, she will be talking on "Sub Tropical Cottage Gardening".

### Speaker for 1st March 2025

Christopher Peatey was a medical research scientist in the Australian Army. His daughter was volunteering with Wildlife Rescue Qld, so Chris also decided to join. WRQ is made up of about 250 volunteers from around Brisbane - mainly based in the Moreton Bay Shire area. They rescue native wildlife that is injured or orphaned from possums to snakes and everything in between. There is a very dedicated group who care for orphaned wildlife possums, kangaroos, wallabies, bats and birds. Chris is a volunteer on a 24-hour hotline where people can call in about rescues. As Chris provides education on what to do if you find a sick, injured or orphaned animal, he is here today to speak on "Wildlife Rescue".

### Speaker for 5th April 2025

Russell Young is well known in the horticultural industry as a presenter, writer, horticulturist and garden designer. Throughout his 30 years as a horticulturist, his focus has been on garden design, which is completely different to landscaping. Russell uses plants that are suited to their environment and to meet his client's needs. He propagates many species of hardy old-fashioned plants and is specific in growing and selling rarer and more unusual species. Russell is multifaceted in his approach to his business which incorporates retail, garden designs and garden display work at plant fairs. Today, Russell will be speaking on "Garden Preparation and Plant Choices".

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