



Minutes

General Meeting

10th September 2019

Venue: Social Room, John McGrath Pavilion, 97 Hensman Street, South Perth.

Welcome: President Carl Slusarczyk opened the meeting at 12.35pm

Attendance 19 members as per record book and apologies from Katherine Patterson, Richard Williams, Glenys Brown, Ron Atyeo and Trevor Olsen.

Minutes of previous general meeting held on the 9th April 2019 were available with the agenda and on the website. Motion moved by Murray Ryall and seconded by Ian Blackwell that the minutes be accepted. Carried.

Correspondence: A summary of the items of correspondence as in appendix A was presented. Full details were available for viewing. No further action required. Motion moved by Michael Drake-Brockman and seconded Colleen Ryall that the correspondence be accepted. Carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Income since the April General meeting was \$4,004.09. The significant amounts were \$2,488.72 from plant sales and \$675 for the presentation lunch
Expenses for the same period was \$3,391.46. The significant amount was the Annual Show \$2354.19,
\$8862.23 bank balance as at 31 August 2019.
12 month Term Deposit balance \$17,224.50 and this matures 17/04/2020
Motion moved by Colleen Ryall and seconded by Ian Blackwell that the Treasures report be accepted. Carried.

General Business:

Annual Flower Show Planning including the Australian Chrysanthemum Championship.

- Thursday 7th to Saturday 9th May 2020 at Hawaiian Forrestfield Shopping Centre have indicated their support.
- Show Schedule will be the same as 2019 with addition of the ACC class. This is the same criteria as the FORRESTFIELD FORUM CHAMPIONSHIP which consists of 5 blooms.
 - 1 Large Exhibition Bloom, Sections 1 & 2.
 - 1 Decorative Bloom, Sections 3, 4, & 5.
 - 1 Anemone Bloom, Section 6.
 - 1 Show Single, Section 7.
 - 1 Spider / Quill, Section 10
- Prize Money will be included now that the Society is profitable. Will reward the specimen bloom classes. Last show did not provide money to the prestige's classes. This will change. Prize money is not a financial reward that conflicts with our 'Not for Profit' status as the show is open to the public.

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- ACC prize is substantial
- Presentation Luncheon Tuesday 26 May 2020

Distribution Day

- This will be held at 1:30pm for 2:00pm start on Sunday 27 October 2019 in the Social Room, John McGrath Pavilion, 97 Hensman Street, South Perth
- Members are invited to bring rooted tip cuttings in 50 to 80mm pots to be distributed to members.
- Key members who are part of the Cultivar Preservation group will be invited to 1 plant of any cultivar that is not included in their collection
- Then any New members will be invited to choose up to 10 plants before the remaining members are invited to make their selection
- Missing plants to complete a full list of WA Cultivars to be published on Facebook

Social and Cultural Activity program.

This will be discussed at the committee meeting.

Reports and activity updates

- ACC: The Championship will be held in Forrestfield in 2020.
- WAHC:
 - 6 general Judges have graduated after completing a 2 year course.
 - A Gidgegannup garden, Lakes Retreat, has changed hands and is now closed to the public.
- Garden Clubs and Society Fair. Next Fair Sat Sun 14-15 September 2019
 - Briefing on program
 - Roster circulated for volunteers to man the stall
 - Indication of donated Plant numbers (\$1 per plant sold is returned to the member) was sought and totalled 300.
- Newsletter. Well done with quality and content.
- Web site Thanks Murray it is now a mature product
- Facebook Thanks Murray It is expanding our presence in the world
- Membership total is 94 including 10 life members There are 5 new members waiting on acceptance/rejection as per the new constitution from the management committee.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The society was acknowledged for its participation in the training of the new judges at the new judge presentation ceremony at Ravenswood.

The Society has selected a pea green polo shirts (\$36) to assist in the recognition of WACS members. See the website for sizes if you like to make a purchase. Embroidery will be available once a suitable design is selected.

In recognition of the passing of Ken and Gladys May his long list of Society and gardening involvement was recalled. A card was sent via the funeral home from the Society

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Next General Meetings

| Type | Date | Venue | Start Time of meeting | End Time of meeting |
|------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Distribution Day | Sunday 27 October 2019 | Social Room and Main Hall | 1:30 pm | 3:00 pm |
| General Meeting | Tuesday 12 November 2019 | Social Room only | 12:00 noon | 3:00 pm |
| General Meeting | Tuesday 11 February 2020 | Social Room only | 12:00 noon | 3:00 pm |
| General Meeting | Tuesday 8 April 2020 | Social Room only | 12:00 noon | 3:00 pm |
| Awards Dinner | Tuesday 26 May 2020 | Main Hall, Social Room and Kitchen | 11:30 am | 3:00 pm |

Next Committee Meetings

These are held on the third Tuesday of September, November, February, March and April.

Education / Skills Presentation

Presentations by Carl Slusarczyk on the best cultivar selection for the show (See Appendix B) and Ian Blackwell on the best method of propagating plants by tip cutting followed the meeting close. See Appendix C.

Meeting close. 13:30

Raffle draw and afternoon tea.

This is a true and correct record of this meeting

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Appendix A Correspondence since 12 April 2019 Meeting

In

From Gardening Australia Public - Products Insurance Evidence of Cover

From National Chrysanthemum Society in the UK. Date 13/8/2019

Package included:

1. 2 off Certificates of Merit.
2. Society Renewal / Order Form 2019
3. Notice of 2020 AGM on Saturday 28th March 2020 at 1:30pm at the Jury's Inn, Cheltenham. Options for accommodation and Dinner/Dance menu included.
4. Show Admission ticket for 1 person to 21 show from 7 September 2019 to 17 November 2019.
5. Chrysanthemum 2019 Year book.

City of South Perth – Invoice for Hall Hire

From Frank Blackwell – A Personal Note thanking the Society for its support on the death of Leila

WAHC - Notice that Ken May a founding member had passed away on 12 April 2019.

From WAHC – Details of the September Fair including Stall location and Exhibitor passes.

From City of South Perth – Annual Review of Fees and Charges for the John McGrath pavilion. Social room \$20 per hour and room with kitchen \$24 per hour

From John Morvell, Past President ACC – 3 suggestions regarding Australian Championship Trophy.

Garden Clubs of Australia –

Package included:

1. Bulletin June 2019
2. Guidelines for GCA Awards
3. Nomination Form 2019 GCA Awards
4. GCA – Ann Williams Clark Medallion awarded for Outstanding Service by a member of an Affiliated Club
5. Notice of AGM 17 October 2019 – Norfolk Island
6. Minutes of AGM 2018

GCA Issue 82 Spring 2019 “Our Garden Magazine”

WAHC – Minutes of Council Meeting Wednesday 28 August 2019

WAHS – Garden Cuttings. Report that 6 new general judges have graduated and future Gardening activities.

5 off Nominations for WACS Management Positions

Kelmscott and District Garden Clubs - Request for a speaker for Monday 9th September 2019.

Out

April General Meeting Minutes

Condolence card to Ken May's family

Condolence card the Leila Blackwell's family

Notice posted in GCA advertising the May flower show

WACS May June Newsletter

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To GCA advising representatives who will be attending the Friendship Gathering at The Heritage Garden Falls Farm Cagney Place Lesmurdie 17th April at 10am
WACS Social Day reminder at Presidents Carls place
WAHC- Chrysanthemum Championship results
WAHC application to participate in the September Fair
WACS – Notice of AGM in September with Management Nomination Forms
WACS – September October Newsletter
To John Morvell - result of all the work undertaken over the past year to collate the Australian Chrysanthemum Council Register 2019
Invitation to participate in a bulk order from Hy-Gen supplies

Discussions and Outcomes via Email

Hall bookings and payments
Application for a Square Account. WACS now has the ability to receive card credit and debit payments
Reminder about Presentation Luncheon resulted in an enjoyable Awards presentation

Discussions and Outcomes – Facebook

Newsletter added
Plant Fair Notice
Link to California Substrates Coco Coir Media
Register of Cultivars
Photos of Awards lunch

Appendix B - Carl Slusarczyk's tips on selecting cultivars for the show

Basically look for cultivars that produced successful blooms in previous shows as they grow and show well. Examples are:

Classification 1 & 2 Exhibition - Primrose Mt Shasta, Kokka Hara Butai, Kokka Kinzan,
Classification 3, 4 & 5 Decorative - There is huge range to select from like Rose Stoakes, Stoakes Mystic and Stoakes Golden Splendour (reliable). Intermediate Seatons Je'Dore is reliable (Can make up the fifth bloom in a set)

Classification 6 Anemones - Edith Mechen (origin is New Zealand) and Seaton's Ruby

Classification 7 Singles - Dorothy Anne, Stoakes Imperial (Can be unreliable), Stoakes Freesia and Glad Eye (Better colour if cold).

Classification 10 Fantasy Spiders – Last few years have been poor. For this classification best is Seatons Galaxy, Kiyomi No Yurai (fine petals), Chesapeake (can collapse), Seatons Lady (pink fine brush bloom. The Steven Bradby of Fantasy as it is reliable).

Appendix C - Ian Blackwell - How to take a tip cutting

A written copy will be in the next newsletter. Tips included:

- Prepare mother plant early by fertilising and insect management.
- Day before taking tip cuttings water well.
- Best to snap tip off to minimise disease transfer.
- Most successful tip propagation media is Coir Peat (70%) with a mix of Pearlite (30%)
- Select cuttings of equal length (3.5 inches) and diameter that are in a vegetative growth stage. I.e. watery and not woody
- Remove lower leaves and leave only 2 leaves.
- Uses 68mm pots supported in a carry frame
- Waters pots from the bottom by placing carry frame in say a kitty litter tray. This reduces disease transfer.
- Keep in polystyrene containers as this helps moderate the temperature and aim for an optimum 22 degrees.
- pH of 6 in coir peat.
- Use Yates rooting hormone powder.
- Never do cuttings in the heat of the day. Early morning or late evening is best.
- Cover with opaque sheet that keeps plants hydrated. Plastic is removed at night time to replace the air. .