



## Minutes

### General Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Venue:** Social Room, John McGrath Pavilion, 97 Hensman Street, South Perth. 12 noon

**Welcome:** President Carl Slusarczyk opened the meeting at 12:10pm

**Attendance** 6 members and 7 apologies as per the attendance record book.

**Minutes** of previous general meeting held on the 13 September 2022 were available on the website and a copy was available at the meeting. Motion moved by Michael Drake-Brockman and seconded by Murray Ryall that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting. 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 Murray Ryall that the correspondence be accepted. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$9,678.20 bank balance as at 31/10/ 2022.

12 month Term Deposit balance was \$13,000 and this matures 17 April 2023

Summary of financial activity

Income: Since last meeting of \$1192 consisting of Membership \$195, Raffle \$42, Fair plant sales \$676, Distribution day plant sales \$240 and merchandise sales \$39.81.

Total expenditure for the same period was \$1167.41 consisting of Trophies \$199.87, Stationary \$87.54, Honorarium for Secretary \$400, Venue Hire \$300, grower Rebates \$180

Motion moved by Colleen Ryall and seconded by Kook Joo Lee that the Treasures report be accepted. Carried.

### Membership

Total financial membership is 92 including 7 life members. 32 are currently not financial and 2 reminder notice have been sent. Their membership will lapse on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. There are 2 members waiting on acceptance/rejection as per the constitution from the management committee

### General Business:

Annual Flower Show Planning.

- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at Hawaiian Forrestfield Shopping Centre
- All details for the show can be found on the web page. Dates to be updated soon
- Presentation Luncheon Tuesday 23 May 2023 will be catered for by Nosh catering.
- The Show Secretary will be meeting with the new Shopping Centre manger soon

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#### Garden Clubs and Societies Fair

- Next Fair is Sat Sun 18-19 February 2023. Discussed if still enough enthusiasm to be part of the Fair. We promote Chrysanthemums and raise funds but have failed to attract many new members. Verify if plants can be sold at the show in the shopping centre. This may influence what direction should be taken with regard to participating in the Fair. .

#### Distribution Day

- Sunday 23 October 2022. Was a great success. All classifications well supported. Thanks to all members that bought in rooted cuttings.

#### Social and Cultural Activity program.

Something to add to your calendar for next year.

- Lina and Carl Slusarczyk's place 1pm Sunday 12 March 2023.
- Judy and Michael Drake- Brockman's place 1pm Sunday 23 April 2023

#### Reports and activity updates

- ACC: Prepare your best blooms for the Australian Championship in WA .
  - South Australian Society is reforming with 30 varieties. Carl sending them 200 cultivars.
  - Also 3 cascade varieties sent to the Victoria.
- WAHC – Next meeting Wednesday 23 November night at 7:30pm
- Newsletter. Very good effort and many are reading
- Web site. Operating well
- Facebook: Member Ron Seaton has been very active advertising and selling his new varieties. Has had some large orders and promoted the society. 560 members and growing slowly. New members mainly from outside of WA.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Trident the insurance Broker provided clarification on some Insurance aspects.

**Stalls:** Stall owners who are members of the Club are covered but not stall owners from outside who need to hold their own insurance.

**Certificate of Placement and Certificate of Currency;** That language is essentially a technicality as the document has the same purpose from an insurance perspective. A Certificate of Currency can only be issued by the Insurer and as we are the Broker, we issue a Certificate of Placement but they have the exact same purpose.

**Judging;** If you are a member of a Garden Club and you are judging on behalf of the Club then you are covered but if it is not on behalf of a Club then you would not be covered. You need to ensure all activities are recorded by your Garden Club for Insurance purposes.

**Excess:** The excess is per occurrence so if there are a group injured by the same circumstances then this is considered one claim.

**Interested Party:** An Interested Party is usually a local council or a property owner of the hall can be added to the Certificate. A record is kept and added to your Certificate each year. Responsibility is up to each club to notify Trident who an Interested Party may be.

Should there be an incident please immediately contact the Societies secretary who will provide a form to record the required details. Take photos to support report.

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Michael Drake-Brockman reported on a presentation he did at “Romancing the Stone” a private garden in Maida Vale. Attendees took part in a hand on workshop take tip cuttings.

Next General Meetings

Type	Date	Venue	Start Time of meeting	End Time of meeting
General Meeting	Tuesday 14 February 2023	Social Room only	12:00 noon	3:00 pm
General Meeting	Tuesday 11 April 2023 (day after Easter Monday holiday)	Social Room only	12:00 noon	3:00 pm
Annual Flower Show	Thursday 11 to Saturday 13 May 2023	Hawaiian Forrestfield Shopping Centre	As for shopping centre	As for shopping centre
Awards Luncheon	Tuesday 23 May 2023	John McGrath Pavilion Social Room and Main Hall	11:30	3:00 pm
AGM and General meeting	Tuesday 12 September 2023	Social Room only	12:00 noon	3:00 pm
Distribution Day	Sunday 29 October 2023	Social Room and Main Hall	1:30 pm	3:00 pm
General Meeting	Tuesday 14 November 2023	Social Room only	12:00 noon	3:00 pm

Education / Skills Presentation. Kook provided a very nice link to a Korean display. This will be in the next newsletter.

Meeting close. 13:00

Raffle draw and afternoon tea. Some more rooted tip cuttings that were not ready on Distribution day were shared.

This is a true and correct record of this meeting

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## Appendix A – Correspondence from 13 September 2022

### Correspondence In from:

Associations and Charities Branch, Consumer Protection –

- 1) Action required to protect your corporate identity
- 2) The financial thresholds have increased as follows:
  - **Tier 1** – was less than \$250,000 and is **now less than \$500,000.**
  - **Tier 2** – was \$250,000 to less than \$1 million and is **now \$500,000 to less than \$3 million.**
  - **Tier 3** – Was \$1million and above and is **now \$3 million and above**

The *three-tier system of financial reporting* is based on the association's total revenue. It is designed to minimise the obligations on smaller, tier 1 associations, while ensuring larger tier 2 and 3 associations are accountable to their members for their financial management.

Garden Clubs of Australia RSJA Secretarial Services – Application form for their magazine, Update of membership numbers and

City of South Perth – Application forms for 2023 required by 30 November 2022

WAHC – Invitation to apply for Chrysanthemum Championships received.

WAHC - Notice that completed Application for Championship received and will be voted on at the November meeting.

City of South Perth – Confirmation of booking of John McGrath pavilion for meetings, Distribution day and Awards Luncheon.

Garden Clubs of Australia – Minutes of the AGM 13 September 2022 at Townsville. A significant item is the Gwendy Hansford Award for “Outstanding service by an individual or affiliated club to the environment” went to **Faye Arcaro** from Perth Garden Club as past President and participates in Garden Radio, TV and Writing, Facebook, Instagram pages, Public Speaking, Teaching and Volunteer. Faye has won various awards including ABC Gardner of the Year 2007.

New Member - Amanda Hanwood from Coodanup, a suburb south of Mandurah

New Member – Geoffrey Maxwell Bennett from Mount Barker

### Correspondence Out to:

Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety – Annual WACS Information sheet on our activities for the year including membership, finance and AGM minutes. This is part of our obligation as a Not for Profit organisation.

City of South Perth – Application to hire the John McGrath pavilion for 4 General Meetings

City of South Perth – Application to hire the John McGrath pavilion for Distribution day

City of South Perth – Application to hire the John McGrath pavilion for Awards presentation & luncheon.

Garden Clubs of Australia RSJA Secretarial Services – Updated “form 4” to allow us to be affiliated to GCA.

WAHC – Application for State A Chrysanthemum Championship

WAHC – Application for State B Chrysanthemum Championship

### Discussions and Outcomes by Email:

WAHC – Application made to secure a website address [www.horticulturalcouncil.au](http://www.horticulturalcouncil.au) i.e. com has been removed. The reason is to protect their identity or brand

WACS Secretary – 20 September 2022 Committee Meeting Minutes to Committee.

Corrections noted.

WACS – Change of venue for committee meeting. November meeting to be held at the Ryall's place.

WACS – November – December 2022 Newsletter

Nosh Catering – Request for Evidence of Insurance cover and Authority to serve food requested and supplied.

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