



# Australian Native Plants Society Canberra Region Inc.

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## Bulletin July 2016

### Members Meeting

Thursday, 14 July

7.30 pm\*\* note ANBG  
access times below.

**ANBG Theatre,  
Clunies Ross St,  
Black Mountain.**

**\*\* Please note - our gate  
minder will open the ANBG  
gates at 6.50pm and close  
them at 7.35pm so (s)he can  
attend the meeting.**

### Raffle prizes

The July Raffle plants will be supplied  
by: ANPS' Cook Shadehouse and  
member grower Linda Tabe.

### Show and Tell

Please bring along any plant material  
or pot plants you think we would find  
interesting and like to see.

**Reminder** it is important to bring any  
Myrtaceae specimens into ANBG in  
plastic bags.

### No Meeting Book Sales

in July as Murray, our dedicated  
bookseller, is away.

### Meeting Speakers

If you have any suggestions for future  
speakers, please advise Alison  
Roach ☎0401 669 878,

[v.president@nativeplants-  
canberra.asn.au](mailto:v.president@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au).

### Meeting Talk: Daisies at STEP's Forest 20, National Arboretum Canberra

At STEP the trees were planted in  
2009-10 with understory planning  
commencing in 2011. Now there  
are around 150 species in the  
understory areas and the work  
continues. From the Asteraceae  
family daisies are one of the larger  
family groups in the STEP  
understory. They are mostly  
planted in the natural grasslands  
and grassy woodland section.  
There are about sixteen species  
that have been planted. His talk will  
show how well they have done and  
any issues that have arisen.



### Guest Speaker: Andy Russell

Andy Russell spent his working life in the pastoral industry, first on his family's Victorian sheep station/merino stud and more recently on his own grazing property near Cootamundra. This property with its woodland area stirred his interest in native plants and conservation. With the formation of the Dudauman Frampton Landcare Group he held senior positions in that organisation. He was instrumental in the formation of the South West Slopes SGAP group based at Cootamundra. Coming to Canberra in 2000 he has been active in ANPS first as a committee member and then as president. A foundation member of STEP, before it was able to locate at the National Arboretum Canberra, he currently produces a 2-page photo sheet of "What is of Interest at STEP", the current sheet is the 14<sup>th</sup> he has produced in less than a year. He also manages a species list showing the location of plants section by section and provides expertise in plant identification.

### We want your input into ANPS' Future

**Planning** so that as a society we can then decide on our priority  
issues to progress. We sent out a summary of ideas gathered so far  
for your feedback, comments and ideas, with the June Bulletin.

**Deadline for members' responses is by 12 July 2016  
to correct email address [secretary@nativeplants-  
canberra.asn.au](mailto:secretary@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au).**

Any queries to Alison Roach [v.president@nativeplants-  
canberra.asn.au](mailto:v.president@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au), ☎0401 669 878.

## New Members

A very warm welcome to our new members:

- 🌸 David Stobbart
- 🌸 Naomi Boccola and Darren Boulton

## May Gibbs by gum!

**Saturday 16 July - Sunday 11 September**  
Exhibition created by The National Centre for Australian Children's Literature

Ramp Showcase, Canberra Museum and Gallery  
May Gibbs' work is an early example of merchandising stories and artworks. The exhibition features a large collection of ephemera and realia which reflect highly sophisticated merchandising. Rich resources revealing the many editions of her published works over time in wide-ranging formats are also featured. The extraordinary story behind saving Nutcote, her home in Sydney, which is now a museum open to the public, is highlighted. Jane Brummitt, noted authority on May Gibbs and author (with Robert Holden) of a book about May Gibbs entitled, *More than a Fairy Tale: An Artistic Life*, will give a floor talk on Thursday 21 July from 1-2pm at the Canberra Museum and Gallery Ramp Showcase. Her talk will explore May Gibbs' art, appeal and lasting contribution to Australia's national heritage.

## Propagation

General ANPS propagation queries:  
[propagation@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au](mailto:propagation@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au)  
Anthony Meyer requests cutting material...  
Contact: ph 0411 836 841 or  
[meyeranthony7@gmail.com](mailto:meyeranthony7@gmail.com)

## Recent Wednesday Walks...

Photos by Helen



## Field Trips

### August Field trips

#### APS NSW Invitation

#### 20 to 21 August, Tamworth

ANPS members are invited to attend APS NSW's annual get together in Tamworth. It is a weekend of activities including a seminar program, visits to private gardens, local wetlands and botanic gardens. For more info contact Warwick Daniels  
☎6231 0852, [wda68126@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wda68126@bigpond.net.au).

#### Between time.

Members going on either or both of these August trips may be doing activities in the intervening week eg there is a tag-a-long drive around the Pilliga with Annabelle and Anthony. For details contact Neville Page ☎6238 1766, [nevp@bigpond.com](mailto:nevp@bigpond.com).

#### 27-28 August, Coffs Harbour

Gwyn Clarke and Morrie Duggan will be our guides for this weekend away in northern NSW as we visit heathland and rain forest terrain. If you are interested and/or you would like more info, please contact Neville Page: ☎6238 1766, [nevp@bigpond.com](mailto:nevp@bigpond.com).

#### Accommodation

Some members have already booked accommodation at the Big 4 Tourist Park at Darlington Beach, located about 20km north of Coff's Harbour. NRMA and Big 4 discounts are offered. Booking can be made by calling 1800 888 999. Cabins, caravan sites (powered and unpowered) and tent sites are available. However, another large group have booked for the same weekend, and availability may run out. It is recommended therefore, if you want to stay there, that you book early.

#### Friday 26 August, 2016 – Optional First Day

Because people are coming a long way, Gwyn and Morrie have offered a day in the Red Rock area where there is a boardwalk as well as beautiful coastal heath. It is only just up the road from Darlington Park. If interested in this optional day, you will need to arrive on Thursday 25th.

#### Saturday 27 August, 2016

On Saturday morning we'll go to Gwyn and Geoff Clarke's place at 9.30am for a look at their garden and anything else of interest. The Clarkes will provide tea & coffee for morning tea and lunch.

Bring your own food for lunch. After lunch we will move on to Morrie and Fiona Duggan's place for a look at their garden, which has grown quite a bit with lots of new garden beds. Their forest area is coming on well and the water birds have been in profusion because it has been so dry. The recent rains might have changed that. We'll then have a barbecue at the Duggan's. Bring your own meat, and salads will be provided. A few locals will be invited to the barbecue so we can get to know some of the people we'll meet on the Sunday outing.

### Sunday 28 August

On Sunday we will meet at Emerald Beach at 10.00am for a walk along the coast to Tiki Reserve. We hope to see some local orchids in flower there. We can also have a quick look at Emerald Beach headland which has some interesting flora. After lunch we will be going to Moonee to see the rainforest area. You can bring your own lunch, but there is a small shop at Emerald Beach that makes good burgers if anyone wants to buy their lunch. This is the Coffs Groups usual excursion for August.

### September Field Trip

#### Goulburn River Trip

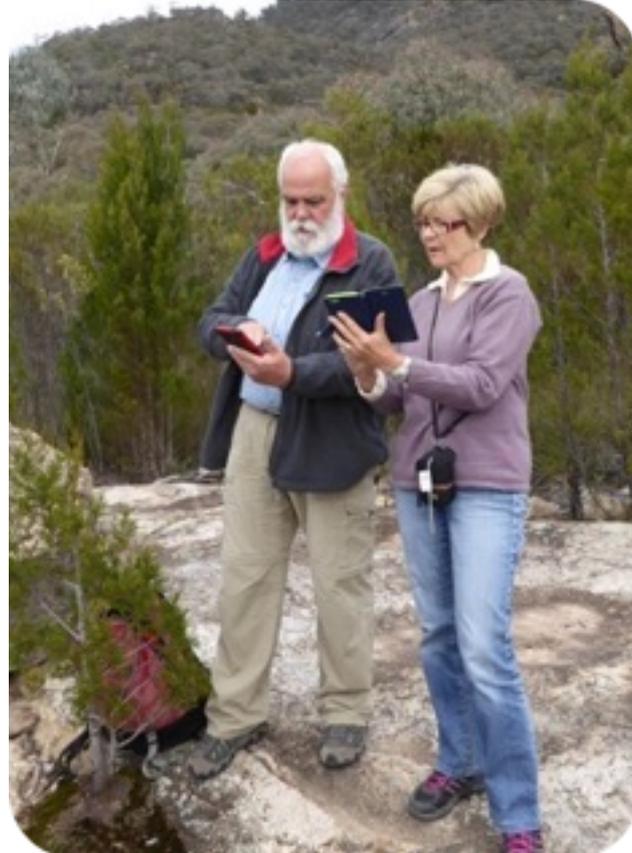
5-8 September

A week after the Coff's Harbour trip, Morrie Duggan is leading a field trip to the Goulburn River National Park and surrounding areas. The Park is located in the western Hunter Valley near the small township of Merriwa. Morrie has kindly invited Canberra ANPS members to come along. If you are interested please contact Morrie as soon as possible on 6649 3202 (preferably at night) or by email at [morris@guarana.org](mailto:morris@guarana.org).

#### Wednesday Walkers

Jean Geue

Photos from Wednesday Walkers visit to Mt Tennant



Murray Dadds and Brigitta Wimmer - checking plant IDs from the Good Book

Lunch at the lookout



## Calendar - activities and events

### ANPS

**Next Council Meeting:** Tuesday 12 July, 12:00-1pm, Dickson Room, ANBG.

**Next Collation:** Tuesday 2 August, 2pm, 95 Price Place, Downer, host Winifred Mumford.

**Next Bulletin: August 2016:** Items due Wednesday 27 July to [bulletin@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au](mailto:bulletin@nativeplants-canberra.asn.au).

### ANPS Spring Plant Sale Saturday 15 October

### Other

**Australian Native Plant Market, The Heritage Nursery, Yarralumla**

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 8.30am-3.00pm.**  
Next one is not until spring, in September.

### Open Gardens Canberra

Next open gardens will be in spring.  
[www.opengardenscanberra.org.au](http://www.opengardenscanberra.org.au)

### ANBG Thursday Talks, 12.30-1.30pm, Theatrette

7 July	'Today's Aboriginal culture: A Ngunnawal Perspective' - Wally Bell
14 July	'Understanding our rainforests from the seed up: conservation research on Wollemi pine and other Australian rainforest species' - Dr Cathy Offord
21 July	David Coutts 'Botanic gardens: where did they come from?' - David Coutts
28 July	'Trees, Woods and Man' - John Turnbull
4 August	'Gardens that have influenced us' - Ben Walcott '

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