



## Members Meeting

**Thursday, 11 August**

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

**ANBG Theatrette, 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.**

**Gate Minder:** Daryl Crapp

**Meeting Book Sales:** as usual. See item on page 2.

### **August Raffle prizes:**

The plants will be provided by: member grower, Megan Dixon at [info@canberranativenursery.com.au](mailto:info@canberranativenursery.com.au)

**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.

Please continue to register to attend the members meeting – email [secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

## Meeting Talk: ‘After the bees, the flies shall inherit the flowers’.

Following recent concerns about the possible declines in bee populations and the threat to the introduced honey bee by the recently arrived varroa mite, should we worry about the future of the pollination of the flowering plants? The answer may lie with the flies. Recent research and my own observations suggest that pollination of native and exotic plants by a wide range of fly species has been seriously underestimated. This review covers the origins of liquid feeding in flies, their adaptations to nectar and pollen feeding, the effects of seasonality and the environment on fly visitations, and the entrapment of pollen grains and concludes with a selection of the plants that depend on them for pollination.

## Guest Speaker: Roger Farrow

Roger is a retired entomologist and has taken up an interest in native plants since leaving CSIRO more than 20 years ago. He is particularly interested in the relationships between insects and plants, especially pollination strategies. He is the author of the book *Insects of Southeastern Australia* and co-author of *Field Guide to Orchids of the Southern Tablelands of NSW* including the ACT.

Roger is a life member of ANPSC. He led ANPSC field trips and wednesday walks for a number of years focussing on places with special floras and rare species. Roger has a special interest in alpine floras and has travelled extensively to places like Tibet, Iran and Ethiopia and Peru as well as in arid floras visiting places like Namibia and Madagascar.

## ANPSC Council needs more members

Council has had four vacant positions since our AGM last November. Consequently, we did not meet the quorum of 6 for the last two months as two members were unable to attend.

We are asking members to consider joining Council which alleviates the unfortunate necessity to cancel important meetings. Remaining Council members did actually meet to discuss a couple of important issues and any actions later supported by those unable to attend. This is not an ideal way to run the Society and we desperately need members support for Council to operate at full capacity.

Please consider joining Council by contacting the Secretary, Christine Kendrick at [secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

**Australian Flora - Past,  
present, future**  
**ANPSA 2022 Biennial Conference –  
Kiama, NSW**  
**From 10 to 16 September 2022.**  
Plus pre and post conference tours.  
To register for the conference and tours,  
go to:  
[https://www.austplants.com.au/ANPSA-  
Biennial-Conference-2022](https://www.austplants.com.au/ANPSA-Biennial-Conference-2022)  
Email organisers with any questions on  
[Conf2022@spin.net.au](mailto:Conf2022@spin.net.au)

**The deadline for articles for ANPSC’s September Journal  
has been extended to 8 August.**

Please send items/articles to Gail Ritchie Knight, our Journal Editor,  
at [journal@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:journal@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

**Exhibitions at ANBG**  
**Visitor Information Centre**  
9.30am to 4.30pm, daily

## Exhibitions at ANBG

### 'Gardens Near and Far'

By Ruth Dodd

From 3 to 28 August

An exhibition depicting flora and landscapes inspired from visits to public, private and overseas gardens and from the artist's local region of Yass, New South Wales.

Ruth Dodd's art is representational, working from close observation and the use of colour to dramatise essential elements. [www.ruthdoddartist.com](http://www.ruthdoddartist.com)



Eucalyptus kingsmillii – Mt Annan Botanic Garden

## Plant Sales

### Growing Friends of the ANBG Plant Sale

The last Plant sale was in November 2019, nearly three years ago. Since then, a severe hailstorm and COVID lockdowns have prevented more recent Sales.

A complete list of plants available, and a description of each plant, will be available on the Friends website about two weeks before the Sale. Most plants are in 100mm pots and will cost \$6 each but the larger 175mm pots will cost \$10 each.

**When: Saturday, 27 August**

**Time: 8.30 am – 11.00 am or earlier if sold out**

**Where: Small car park behind the Crosbie Morrison Centre, Australian National Botanic Gardens**

### Australian Native Plant Market

**Next Market Day - Saturday 3 September, 8.30am-3pm. At Cool Country Natives, Pialligo.**

*\*Some of our member growers will be there\*.*

This market is held on first Saturday of the month except in January and June to August.

**ANPSC Spring Plant Sale**  
**15 October 2022 at ANBG**

### Where to buy Native Plants in the Canberra Region Brochure

For latest version go to  
<https://nativeplantscbr.com.au/wp-content/uploads/Where-to-buy-Native-Plants-in-the-Canberra-Region.pdf>

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

Bookings open Friday before the talk until Wednesday night or until seating limits are reached. (Tickets are Free).

<https://www.friendsanbg.org.au/calendar>

4 August	'The Norfolk Island Morepork: rebuilding a population from the last survivor' - Dr Penny Olsen.
11 August	'Bee patrols: How bees and other pollinating insects can help us monitor and protect Australia's biodiversity' - Dr Liz Milla,
18 August	'Some Persian Gardens of Iran' - Dr Rosemary Purdie.
25 August	'What makes plants rare?' - Meena Sritheran.
1 September	'The last Ice Age in Canberra and at Lake Mungo' - Dr Tim Barrows.

## Interesting item on Pollen

Article in the Canberra Riot Act - 24 July 2022

### Meet That Pollen Guy: the man clearing the air for Canberra's hayfever sufferers

It dispels the myth that Acacia/wattle as the culprits.

<https://the-riotact.com/meet-that-pollen-guy-the-man-clearing-the-air-for-canberras-hayfever-sufferers/577546>

## National Tree Day – Item from Bill Willis

### What's your favourite native tree? Why not Vote in the ABC Science poll.

To celebrate Australia's unique and beautiful trees ABC Science has chosen 33 iconic and unusual species and is asking you to select your favourite. Vote at

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2022-07-29/vote-for-your-favourite-australian-native-tree/101210764>

## ANPSC calendar & services

### Book Sales at Members Meetings

We have a few titles of new books at set prices - all very good value. In addition, there is a good range of second-hand books, donated by members, for a donation of your choice.

**Next Council Meeting:** Monday 8 August at 12.30pm, Rosser Room, Banks Building, ANBG.

### Council Business - Council Minutes are on our website in Members Area under 'Minutes'.

There was no July Council Meeting.

### Next Bulletin: September 2022:

If you have any items you think would be of interest to our members including photos, please send them by Wednesday 24 August to

[bulletin@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:bulletin@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

## ANPSC Notices

**New Members** – a warm welcome to

- ☼ Donella Johnston
- ☼ Nicole Lorimer
- ☼ Mark Dearnley
- ☼ Johnson Family
- ☼ Jen Lindon
- ☼ Jenny Forde

## Members Meeting Speakers

Send speaker suggestions to our speaker organiser, Lena Saboisky, at [lenasaboisky@gmail.com](mailto:lenasaboisky@gmail.com)

## ANPSC vacancies

### Spring Plant Sale assistance needed

Council member Tom Jordan will be the Plant Sales Coordinator for our October Spring Plant Sale. Two members have also generously offered to organise the most technical duty of spreadsheet and plant row layouts and, of course, we have many members who volunteer to work with set-up and on the day of the Plant Sale.

We are seeking a member/s to assist Tom. We have a step-by-step Excel spreadsheet with all jobs and dates for action which is easy to follow. **If you are able to provide some assistance for Tom in helping with organising the Sale it would be greatly appreciated.** Contact our Secretary, Christine Kendrick, at [secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au)



Ceratopetalum gummiferum (NSW Christmas Bush) in a large pot. Flowering in Bill Willis' garden in June

## ANPSC Contacts

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## ANPSC's Plant Database - photos wanted

You can specify if the Society can use your photos for other purposes or just the online Plant Database. You can check if a species is already illustrated by searching the Database at

<https://plantdatabase.nativeplantscbr.com.au>

Contact for queries is Lyndal Thorburn at [lthorburn@viria.com.au](mailto:lthorburn@viria.com.au)

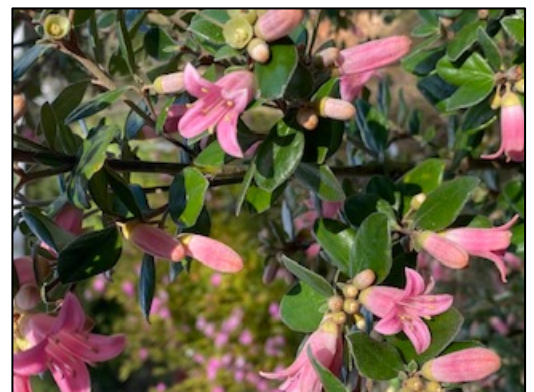


## Conservation

### Australia State of the Environment 2021 Report

Go to: <https://soe.dcceew.gov.au/>

Photos below by Bill Willis – flowering in his garden in June: Pheballium woombye (pink) and Correa 'Catie Bec'.



## Updating your email Preferences

To change your Mailchimp preferences/details ie

- Email Address, First Name, Last Name
- Members Groups activity preferences: Field Trips, Propagation Group, Wednesday Walks, Daytime Activities

you go to a link at the bottom of the page of any Mailchimp announcement such as your Bulletin email. Just above the \*\*black rectangle with MailChimp at the very bottom of the page is an underlined link [update your preferences](#). If you click on that you will be sent an email that you use to take you to the webpage where you can change your details.

Example:

Want to change how you receive these emails?

You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).



## Members Activities

### ANPSC Plant Sales

Contact: [plantsales@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:plantsales@nativeplantscbr.com.au)  
Tom Jordan is the Plant Sale Coordinator for the October Plant Sale.

**Tom needs help with organising the Sale – see Notice on page 3.**

### Wednesday Walkers (WWs)

Contact: Christine Kendrick at [secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

If you would like to receive information on future Wednesday Walks, go to the bottom of any ANPSC email and click on ‘[you can update your preferences](#)’.

Wednesday Walkers identifying *Pomaderris elliptica* on the Mulloon Fire Trail in Tallaganda National Park.



Photo by Gail Ritchie Knight.



WWs taking a break on the Mulloon Fire Trail.  
Photo by Jean Egan

## Propagation

**Propagation group queries to**  
[propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

Newcomers are always very welcome to join the propagation group activities. You do need to register your interest by emailing [propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

### August Potting Bee

**Sunday 7 August, from 11am to 2pm**

**3 Considine Close, Greenleigh (Queanbeyan)**

No experience necessary and all are welcome. Our propagation area is under cover.

We will be potting up punnets of cuttings from summer and early autumn. We will also be doing some ongoing maintenance including pot washing (we supply warm water!) and some early Spring Plant Sale preparation.

What to bring: cup, snacks, secateurs, gloves, warm clothes. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Please let Nola know if you plan to come ([nola\\_mckeeon@hotmail.com](mailto:nola_mckeeon@hotmail.com)) and DO NOT attend if you have any cold symptoms or feel at all unwell.

### Field Trips

**Our Field Trip Coordinator is Jeanette Jeffery**

Contact: [fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

If you are interested in any Field Trips contact Jeanette to go on the emailing list, at [fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

For a particular field trip, email the contact person for that trip for more information and to book your spot on their list.

And if you have any suggestions for trips or would like to lead one, also please contact Jeanette.

**August – no field trip planned.**

### September Field Trip

**Beechworth- Chilton-Mt Pilot NP area**

**Monday 19 to Thursday 22 September**

Spring Flowers including Orchids

Day 1 - Monday: Arrival. Drinks meetup.

Day 2 - Tuesday: White Box Walk in Chiltern-Mt Pilot NP. Starts at Honeyeater Picnic Area. Undulating, loop walk, formed track, fairly easy, 8.5km. Distance from Beechworth 26km.

Day 3 - Wednesday: morning at Barandula Bushland Reserve. Drive 36km then short, rough- sealed drive into flattish area. Formed track (possibly firetrail). Possibility to wander off track if desired. No set route. Afternoon: Road side stops along Old Coach Rd and then to Mt Pilot.

Day 4 - Thursday: return home. 430kms along Hume Hwy, 5hrs.

Suggested accommodation: Beechworth Holiday Park, ☎ 03 5728 1597, [www.beechworthholidaypark.com.au](http://www.beechworthholidaypark.com.au)

Contact: Colin and Jeanette Jeffery  
[fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

## Day Activity Group\* & Garden Design Study Group

Contact: [dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

### Coordinating Committee members:

Digby Gascoine, Tom Jordan, Maureen Mallard, Pam Morrison.

\* DAGs

If you have registered your interest in DAG in your membership record in the members area on our website you will receive DAG MailChimp emails detailing the next activity.

## DAGs August Activity - ANBG

**Tuesday 16 August, 10.30am**

DAG coordinators have approached Janine Baines, who is the Horticulturalist, Living Collections at the Gardens, and are hoping to work out a program for the visit that will include aspects of the ANBG's activities that are not usually open to members of the public at large.

A notice with further details will go out to those who have indicated their interest in DAGs activities in their membership record.

Contact: [dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

## Report of the DAGs July garden visits

On 19 July, twenty-one members of the Day Activity Group had the great pleasure of visiting two gardens in Aranda on the one morning. Gavin Moran and Juanita Morton's garden is densely planted with a vast array of species including a comprehensive set of prostantheras, many acacias, a number of rainforest plants and even a giant flooded gum. Colin and Pam MacDonald's garden, a short walk up the street, is by contrast much more about ground covers and other smaller scale plants, but it also features a splendid *Angophora hispida* (and its clones), *Callitris* spp. and an Australian red cedar (*Toona ciliata*, formerly *T. australis*) making excellent progress under the shelter of the Ironbark street tree.

## Photos from the garden visits

Below: Digby Gascoine photos



## DAGs visit to Horse Island

**Thursday 8 September – save the date**

For the information of all who may be interested, Christina Kennedy has very kindly agreed to invite the Day Activity Group to visit her spectacular garden on Horse Island, Tuross on 8 September.

DAG coordinators are currently working out a program of visits over several days in the vicinity – more information in the next Bulletin.

## Calendar of activities for this year and into 2023.

If you would be happy for DAGs to visit your garden or you know of gardens that would be of interest to the group, please contact one of the members of the coordinating committee to discuss scheduling a visit or to provide suggestions.

Below: Pam Morrison photos



**Show and Tell – Winter flowering Grevilleas in the Walcott garden.  
Text by Ros Walcott, photos by Ben Walcott.**

**Grevillea alpina ‘Goldfields’**  
We planted two *Grevillea alpina* ‘Goldfields’ in September 2011. These are small, mounding plants with hairy, greyish leaves and pale gold flowers in spring. They both flowered in 2012, but one died in 2015 and the other was crowded out and was removed in October 2017. Six months before removal Ben took cuttings and we planted three of them in 2017. Two have died, but the third is thriving.



**Grevillea ‘Sid Reynolds’**  
Planted in September 2014, it has already grown to a dense rounded shrub 2.5m high and wide with lovely spider flowers of red and pink with a yellow limb. We saw a shrub of ‘Sid’ in South Australia at Pangarinda Botanic Gardens which was much larger, probably 4m x 4m, in full flower, a magnificent sight.



**Grevillea ‘Woolly Bear Hero’**  
*Grevillea* ‘Woolly Bear Hero’ is a selection of *G. lanigera*, a low plant about 1m wide, with attractive grey-green foliage and dark pink flowers over a long period. We have planted five of them over a five year period, 2010-15, in various parts of the garden and they perform well.



**Grevillea ‘Carol Ann’**  
We have planted three *Grevillea* ‘Carol Ann’, a hardy plant, 2 m wide, with dense dark green foliage and red spider flowers, the first in 2013, then two more in 2016. We have grown one drooping most effectively over a wall. These plants bloom generously for a very long period. This plant is a favourite for bees and a non-stop performer for us.



**Grevillea ‘Crackles’**  
We planted this small shrub, 1m x 1m, with a prolific display of red and yellow flowers, in October 2019. This plant is a bee and bird attractor, needs full sun and is frost tolerant.



**Grevillea drummondii – Drummond’s Grevillea**  
We planted this shrub in July 2020, to 3m high and 1.5m wide, with softly hairy, dark green foliage and yellow-orange flowers which crowd in the leaf axils and age to pink or red creating a bicolour look. This plant is native to Perth area, WA and is named after the Scotsman, James Drummond, 1784-1863.