



Members Meeting

Limit of 40 attendees - you must therefore register to attend.

Thursday, 8 July

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

Refreshments will be available.

Meeting Book Sales: as usual. See item on page 3.

July Raffle prizes:

The plants will be provided by: member grower, Naomi Boccola.

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.

Deadline for articles for the September ANPSC Journal is 1 August.

Please send items/articles to
journal@nativeplantscbr.com.au



ANBG - Hakea verrucosa.
Photo by Lucinda Royston

To register to attend the members meeting –

email secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au

In accordance with ANBG's COVID arrangements, 40 people is the limit in the ANBG Theatrette (it holds 98 people). We will be taking COVID precautions and you will need to use the QR Code reader or be signed in. Masks may not be required but please wear one if you wish. Social distancing rules will apply.

Meeting Talk: Recent work by the Queanbeyan threatened species team of NSW Department of Planning Industry and Environment under the Saving Our Species (SoS) program.

Members of the Queanbeyan threatened species team will tell us about the work they have done in the last five years under the SoS program. The program has provided \$100 million to help secure around 400 threatened plants and animals across NSW over the last five years. In the South East area, the Queanbeyan team have helped 80 different threatened species to survive. This includes 60 projects that have been funded by SoS, of which over 40 species are plants. Dr Damon Oliver will give a brief overview of the SoS program to date and introduce some of the flora projects. Laura Canackle will then take us on a deep dive into her amazing post-fire investigation into the recovery of the beautiful but rarely seen Bredbo Gentian – a species that was thought to be close to extinction until the 2019/20 Black Summer bushfires and subsequent rainfall of 2020 gave this threatened plant a new lease on life.

Guest Speakers:

Dr Damon Oliver - Threatened Species Senior Team Leader.

Originally from South Australia, and originally a budding botanist and pollination ecologist, Damon morphed into an ornithologist by necessity. He moved to NSW in 1994 for postgraduate research and eventual employment as a threatened species practitioner with the NSW Government since 1999. In the last five years, Damon and the Queanbeyan threatened species team have been delivering successful projects, including over 40 flora projects as part of the SoS program. **Laura Canackle** - a Project Officer with the SoS program, planning, coordinating and implementing on-ground actions to secure threatened flora species from extinction. She works on a number of species in South East NSW, from Oberon in the north to Eden in the south and Wagga in the west. She grew up in Bumbalong NSW and has worked with the ACT, WA and NSW Governments in flora conservation since graduating from the University of Canberra in 2005. Her purpose in life is to inspire people to get excited about our unique and captivating native flora in the hope that by being noticed, it will be protected.

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

'Australian Megafauna'

Artwork by Peter Schouten AM



23 June to 25 July

An exhibition featuring original large scale paintings of Australia's Megafauna by Australian wildlife artist, author and paleontological illustrator, Peter Schouten AM.

Fruit, Flowers, Feathers and Fur

28 July to 15 August

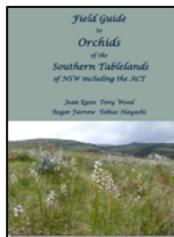
An exhibition of botanical and wildlife treasures by four local artists - Wendy Antoniak, Maria Boreham, Cornelia Buchen-Osmond and Vivien Pinder.



Books Available from selected local book shops.

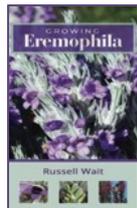
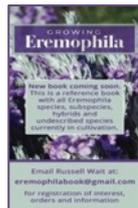
Field Guide to Orchids of the Southern Tablelands of NSW including the ACT

by Jean Egan, Tony Wood, Roger Farrow, Tobias Hayashi
Price \$45 RRP. A special concession price is available to ANPSC members through on-line sales at email tobiashayashi@hotmail.com



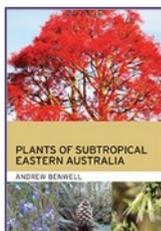
New Eremophila book coming soon

It is reported that the new species *Eremophila waitii* can be found growing at the entrance to the ANBG.



Plants of Subtropical Eastern Australia

by Andrew Benwell
Price \$50.
Describes the flora of the north coast of NSW and coastal south-east Queensland.
One for the travellers!



Interesting items from Bill Willis

Winter solstice & plants

<https://twitter.com/ANBG>

In the southern hemisphere, 21 June is the winter solstice, the shortest day & longest night of the year. Did you know that the length of darkness is an environmental trigger for flowering in many plants? Many spring flowering plants rely on shortening of night length to induce flowering.

Australian Seed partnership

The Australian Seed Bank Partnership is an alliance of 12 organisations, bringing together expertise from Australia's leading botanic gardens, state environment agencies and NGOs.

'Some good news for the conservation of threatened Australian plants! Over 67 per cent of listed species are represented in our seed bank collections.'

<https://www.seedpartnership.org.au>

Eucalyptus: Five things you might not know about these flowering giants

<https://blog.csiro.au/national-eucalyptus-day-five-things-you-might-not-know-about-these-flowering-giants/>

A very, very rare plant

<https://twitter.com/SeedyGav>

21 June 2021

Buds forming on the very, very rare *Pomaderris gilmourii* var *gilmourii* in Deua NP. This site, the only spot this species grows, was largely spared from the fires.



One for the travellers - Barrier Field Naturalists' Club Centenary Exhibition

Until Saturday, 28 August 2021 10:00am to 04:00pm
Albert Kersten Mining and Minerals Museum (GeoCentre), Broken Hill

At a time when arid land conservation was little understood, much less practised, the Barrier Field Naturalists' Club advocated for the protection of the fragile environment of Far West NSW.

Using archival photographs, paintings and original texts, this Centenary Exhibition reflects on how a small number of committed people can effect positive change.

<https://www.brokenhill.nsw.gov.au/Facilities/Albert-Kersten-Mining-and-Minerals-Museum/Barrier-Field-Naturalists'-Club-CENTENARY-EXHIBITION>

ANPSC calendar & services

Book Sales at Members Meetings

We sell a small range of local plant books only at our normal low prices. In addition, there is other stock at sale prices.

Next Council Meeting: Monday 5 July at 12.30pm, Dickson Room, ANBG.

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

The June 2021 ones will go up after the July Council Meeting.

Collation: Only when mailing out the quarterly Journal and Australian Plants magazine.
95 Price Place, Downer. Host Winifred Mumford.

Next Bulletin: August 2021: If you have any items you think would be of interest to our members including photos, please send them by Wednesday 28 July to bulletin@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Plant Sales

Next ANPSC Plant Sale is 16 October 2021 at ANBG

Australian Native Plant Market

Next Market Day is Saturday 4 September 8.30am-3pm – there is no market over winter. At Cool Country Natives, Pialligo.

**Some of our member growers sell at this market*.*

This market is held monthly except in January and June to August.

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>

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ANBG Thursday Talks, 12.30-1.30pm, Theatrette

Limited numbers - booking a seat is essential.

For bookings go to:

https://www.friendsanbg.org.au/calendar_talks

1 July	'How Great Historical Droughts have Shaped Australia' - Dr Bob Godfree
8 July	'A re-examination of William Hann's northern expedition of 1872 to Cape York Peninsula' - Peter Taylor
15 July	'One small tract of bushland in southwest WA and the fight for its preservation' - Dr Liz Truswell
22 July	'Reintroducing Bandicoots and Quolls to Booderee National Park' - Dr Natasha Robinson
29 July	'Threatened alpine species: an update on the campaign to save them from feral horses' - Linda Groom
5 August	'Love Life of Blue Wrens' - Professor Andrew Cockburn

Members Activities

COVID-19 health emergency – ANPSC activities

Activity groups –our activity groups (Propagation, DAGs, Field Trips, WWs) have COVID-19 Plans and have resumed activities.

Monthly Members Meetings – as usual with attendance numbers limited to 40.

Council - meeting monthly as usual.

Our twice-yearly Plant Sales – next Sale in October 2021.

Member growers may promote their plant selling activities on the ANPSC website and Facebook page.

ANPSC COVID-19 Plans

Copies of the Plans for our 4 activity groups and members meeting are on our website under 'Our Policies' at <https://nativeplantscbr.com.au/our-policies/>.

Your ideas for Meeting Talks

Is there a topic you would like to hear about at one of our members meetings? Then please let us know. We are fortunate in Canberra to have access to a wide range of experts on a variety of relevant and interesting topics we can approach to talk at our meetings.

Contact Christine, our Secretary, on secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au

New Members

☘ no new members this month

The Future of our Journal

‘As written in recent Bulletins and Journals, our society is still looking for a new Journal Editor.

With no volunteers coming forward, Council has considered the future of our Journal. The worst-case scenario is that we will no longer produce our highly respected publication in its current form. All ANPSC's Constitution requires is that we produce a regular Journal. But how often is regular?

Currently the Journal is a quarterly printed publication, but an alternative could be a quarterly electronic version with no printing costs or printing deadlines.

Alternatively, the electronic version could be produced on an ad hoc basis whenever articles become available. Another option is that longer Journal-length articles could be incorporated in the existing monthly Bulletin.

Regardless, someone will still be required to edit and layout the publication, be it hard copy or electronic. Botanical knowledge is not a prerequisite as articles are written by Society members. The Journal is produced using InDesign, subscription of which is provided by the Society. However, if they wish, the new editor is free to use other software. Our worst-case scenario if no one volunteers is that the Society will need to pay someone to undertake this position.

Please consider volunteering, you will not regret taking on this rewarding position. If you have any questions regarding the role of Editor, please contact me, Gail Ritchie Knight whirlwind1@argonite.com.au.

Send expressions of interest to Christine Kendrick, our Secretary secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au.

Conservation

Our Conservation Officer is Geoff Butler, who is also ANPSC's Representative on the Conservation Council ACT Region

ANPSC Plant Sale

Our Plant Sale Coordinator is Linda Tabe
Contact: plantsales@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Next sale is 16 October 2021 at ANBG



Propagation

Propagation group queries to
propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au

There is a COVID-19 Plan for this activity group covering both CIT and Queanbeyan locations and activities may go ahead subject to any COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

Newcomers are always very welcome to join the propagation group activities. You do need to pre-register your attendance by emailing propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Cutting Bee

Sunday 4 July, 10am to 1pm
Queanbeyan Shadehouse at 3 Considine Close Greenleigh NSW.

We will also weed and pot up plants to start getting ready for the Spring Sale.

Please bring along cuttings, secateurs, warm clothes, gloves, snacks, your own mug and any COVID-19 protective gear you wish e.g. mask.

Tea and coffee will be provided, BYO other drinks. If it is raining we will work under cover.

You will need to pre-register your attendance by emailing propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au by 5pm on Saturday 3 July.

Contact Lyndal for further information:
lthorburn@viria.com.au ☎ 0418 972 438.

Propagation in June

‘Our propagation group bee at CIT Bruce was well attended in June with several new faces and a lucky thirteen people in total, on a brisk and windy day. Altogether we set over 600 cuttings and potted up over 250 plants.



The photo shows members of the group with new members and visitors - from left to right Mary Hedges from the Menai Wildflower group, Kerry Eckersley (whom we welcomed back after a break), Kath McGuirk from Yass Community Nursery, Lloyd Hedges from Menai Wildflower Group, Kristina Whitley from Marymead Community Nursery at Stirling ACT, and Nola McKeon who keeps the facility at CIT running smoothly. John and Mary are friends of Prop Group regular Pam Morrison. Other newbies not in the photo included Matt Hicks and visitor John Giacon.’ Lyndal Thorburn.

Field Trips

Our Field Trip Coordinator is Jeanette Jeffery

Contact: fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au

There is a COVID-19 Plan for this activity group and activities may go ahead subject to any COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

****Insurance for overnight Field Trips – new requirements.** ANPSC Council needs 2 weeks notice before trip start date to arrange coverage and therefore it is essential you advise the trip leader **and** fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au, in plenty of time, if you intend going on the field trip.

Field Trips program

No trips planned for July or August.

If you would like to propose/lead a field trip, our field trip coordinator, Jeanette, would be pleased to hear from you.

September Trip

Monday 20 to Thursday 23 September

Victoria - Beechworth, Chilton, Mt Pilot NP

Leaders Jeanette and Colin Jeffery

Day 1- Monday. Arrival. Colin and Jeanette are staying at Beechworth Caravan Park (not Beechworth Lake Sambell Caravan Park). Grassed sites, various cabins/villas, good camp kitchen area.

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

Day 4 - Thursday. Return home.

To register your interest in this trip. Contact Colin on coljeffery@bigpond.net.au ☎ 0448 214 220

See ** note above about insurance requirements.

Accommodation: Beechworth Holiday Park: <https://www.beechworthholidaypark.com.au/>. Plenty of motels in Beechworth.

Other information: For a very thorough flora list with photos, and bird list. <http://www.friendsofchiltern.org.au>



Correa sp in propagation area of Cool Country Natives Nursery on DAGs visit in June.

Photo by Lucinda Royston

October Trip

Friday 22 to Monday 25 October- Girraween NP, Qld, **Tuesday 26 & Wednesday 27 October - Mt Kaputar NP, NSW.**

Girraween NP, Qld. Canberra to Girraween is 975 kms via New England Highway and should take 2 days. All Queensland NP campsites have to be pre-booked on line.

Mt Kaputar NP, NSW. After Girraween, we hope to travel to Narrabri via Sawn Rocks. We are staying at the Narrabri showgrounds on Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 allowing for a **day trip to Mt Kaputar** on Wednesday.

To register your interest for this trip. Contact Peter Woodbury ptrwdbry@bigpond.net.au ☎ 0407 487 389. **See ** note above about insurance requirements.**

Camping at Girraween must be booked with Qld NP, cost \$6.75pp, per night. Castle Rock campground.

<https://qpws.usedirect.com/qpws/>

Camping at Narrabri showgrounds - no need to book, cost \$12 unpowered or \$20 powered per night.

Future Field Trips

November or December - NSW Alps. Camping and ski hut accommodation possible.

January 2022 - Victorian Alps.

Day Activity Group* & Garden Design Study Group

Coordinating Committee: Dave Bishop, Digby Gascoine and Bill Willis.

Contact: dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au

* DAGs

There is a COVID-19 Plan for this activity group and activities may go ahead subject to any COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

DAGs July Visit – **subject to COVID status**

Tuesday 13 July at 10.30am

Alison Ubels garden, 3 Sylvia St,

Murrumbateman NSW

There may be an opportunity, after lunch, to visit Farm Gate Natives Nursery, 1264 Murrumbateman Rd,

Murrumbateman NSW info@farmgatenatives.com.au

<https://www.farmgatenatives.com.au/>

Lunch: Murrumbateman Country Inn, Barton

Highway, Murrumbateman NSW, ☎ 02 6227 5802

You must register by 12pm on 11 July via dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au **if you wish to join this activity.** More details will be provided when you register.

DAGs August activity

We may give pursuing a private garden in August, a miss. We may opt for a visit to STEP + The Australia Garden + The Bonsai Garden at The Arboretum.

DAGs visiting behind the scenes at Cool Country Natives Nursery in June.
Photos by Lucinda Royston



Wednesday Walkers (WWs)

There is a COVID-19 Plan for this activity group and activities may go ahead subject to any COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

Wednesday Walks have resumed.

This much enjoyed activity, that contributes so well to the Society's aims, has resumed. Our first walk was on Wednesday 23 June to The Pinnacle in Belconnen.



Details of the next Wednesday walk and how to register for it, will be sent out via the MailChimp system, usually on the Thursday before.

If you have registered your interest in WWs in your membership record in the members area on our website you will receive these MailChimp emails.

If you are having difficulties receiving these WW emails please contact Christine at secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Updating your email Preferences

To change your Mailchimp preferences/details ie Email Address, First Name, Last Name

Members Groups 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:

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Photos above and left - WWs on a walk at The Pinnacle in June, *Acacia decurrens* in bud, *Eucalyptus nortonii* in bud.
Photos by Lucinda Royston

**Show and Tell –
From the Walcotts - In flower in the ANBG
Banksia garden – go see them they are looking
gorgeous!
Text by Ros Walcott, photos by Ben Walcott**

Banksia baueri, Woolly Banksia or Possum Banksia, has dark green toothed foliage and grey furry flowers. These flowers can be very large when the plant is mature and sometimes age to orange. This plant is native to the south coast of Western Australia.



Banksia hookeriana, or Hooker's Banksia, has upright, slender, green toothed foliage and orange flowers developing from felty white buds. This plant is native to the area between Perth and Geraldton in Western Australia.

Banksia menziesii, Menzies Banksia or Firewood Banksia, is a small tree or shrub with oblong, toothed, green leaves and deep pink to red flowers. This plant is native to the south coast of Western Australia, around Perth.



Banksia ericifolia 'Little Eric', is a compact form of a classic Australian native which was one of the first to be domesticated and has been grown in the UK since late 18C. This small plant has cylindrical orange flowers with maroon styles and bushy green needle foliage.

Banksia occidentalis, or Red Swamp Banksia, is a tall shrub or small tree with whorled, linear green leaves and lime-green buds developing into golden flowers with prominent red styles. This plant is native to the south coast of Western Australia.



Banksia spinulosa 'Coastal Cushion' has pale yellow cones on a prostrate bush of bright green foliage. This plant is a coastal form of *Banksia spinulosa*.



Show and Tell

Photos from Bill Willis - flowering in his garden.



Pimelea physodes - Winter flowering in a clay pot on the Northern side close to the house.



Hakea 'Burrendong Beauty'



Xanthorrhoea sp



Hakea laurina



Hibbertia crinita



Hakea petiolaris