



Members Meeting

Thursday, 9 June

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.

Gate Minder: Karen Brien

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

June Raffle prizes:

The plants will be provided by: ANPSC propagation group, CIT Bruce shadehouse.

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

Meeting Talk: The Australian Seed Bank Partnership - safe-guarding species and supporting post-bushfire recovery.

The Australian Seed Bank Partnership underpins a national effort to conserve Australia's native plant diversity through collaborative and sustainable seed collecting, banking, research and knowledge sharing. The 2019/2020 Australian bushfires were unprecedented in their scope and occurrence in many previously unburnt areas, including rainforests of eastern Australia. Seed banks and botanic gardens responded to the impacts of these fires with botanical expertise, field work, research and restoration of heavily impacted areas. This talk will reflect on the work of the Australian Seed Bank Partnership in safe-guarding species and supporting post-bushfire recovery.

It will also provide an overview of the process to develop the third edition of the *Germplasm Guidelines*—a joint publication of the Australian Network for Plant Conservation and the Australian Seed Bank Partnership. It is a practical, science-based handbook for ex situ conservation of plant material and a useful tool for native plant growers. The updated Guidelines incorporate important advances in knowledge gained through research and experience at a time of increasing threats to plant diversity.

Guest Speaker: Damian Wrigley

Damian is the National Coordinator of the Australian Seed Bank Partnership. He coordinates national and international ex-situ seed conservation, capacity building and research collaborations on behalf of the Partnership. Damian provides support to the Council of Heads of Australian Botanic Gardens (CHABG) to deliver better outcomes for plant conservation throughout Australia. Damian is Australia's National Focal Point for the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation and the Oceania representative to the CITES Plants Committee, liaising with the international botanical and plant conservation communities to support plant conservation and actions to counter the impacts of illegal wildlife trade. Damian is hosted by the Australian National Botanic Gardens and works and lives on Ngunnawal country.

ANPSC

Plant Sales Coordinator

Our twice-yearly Plant Sales are an important Society activity and **we are desperately seeking a Coordinator for our October Spring Sale.**

This role has now been split into several areas. Two members have generously offered to organise the most technical duty of spreadsheet and plant row layouts and we have many members who volunteer with Sale set-up and on Sale Day. But we still need someone to fill the Coordinator position to organise the smooth running of the Sale. **Please consider becoming the Plant Sales Coordinator or a team member of this very important activity. Contact Christine Kendrick at secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au**

The deadline for articles for ANPSC's September Journal is 1 August.

Please send items/articles to Gail Ritchie Knight, our Journal Editor, at journal@nativeplantscbr.com.au

ANPSA (Australian Native Plants Society Australia) Biennial Conference 2022

<https://events.humanitix.com/conference-tours-and-excursions>

Theme: Australian flora - past present future.

Conference Dates: Monday 12 September to Friday 16 September 2022.

In addition pre and post conference tours are planned.

Location: Kiama, NSW

Registration for the conference and tours: To register for the conference and express interest in tours, go to the website.

Queries: Please contact organisers via email with any questions on Conf2022@spin.net.au

Exhibitions at ANBG

Visitor Information Centre

9.30am to 4.30pm, daily

'Inspiration from the Gardens'

Wednesday 11 May to Sunday 5 June

An exhibition capturing the beauty and diversity of native flora to encourage a deeper appreciation of the importance of the Gardens Living Collection.

Leigh Murray is a Canberra based artist working in Pastel, Pencil, Coloured Pencil and Scratchboard.

<https://leighmurrayartist.wordpress.com/>

'Siblings'

Wednesday 8 to Sunday 26 June

An exhibition celebrating the connection of siblings to nature, strengthened by shared interests and practices. The exhibition demonstrates artistic expression of indigenous flora using mosaics and recycled plant materials.

Pam Frederick's work consists of stylised representations of Australian native flora in mosaic form. A combination of wall hangings suitable for external and or internal display and utilitarian lazy-susans with accompanying matching cheese boards.

The latter are hand crafted in native timbers for example, red gum, celery pine and silver wattle.

Joan Asmussen's work is contemporary, woven fibre art: vessels and sculptures using harvested and recycled garden plants and other recycled materials. Joan's work while exploring the textures, colours and shapes of nature show the use of a variety of plants such as kangaroo paw, palm inflorescence, casuarina, red hot poker and lomandra.



ANBG Thursday Talks, 12.30 - 1.30pm, Theatrette

Bookings are essential. Bookings open Friday before the talk until Wednesday night or until seating limits are reached. (Tickets are Free). <https://www.friendsanbg.org.au/calendar>

2 June	'What's the future for forests?' - Professor Peter Kanowski
9 June	'Climate Resilient Environments and Communities' - Ian Walker
16 June	'Climate change and Australia's extreme events' - Dr Sophie Lewis
23 June	'Gang-gang nesting ecology' - Michael Mulvaney and Chris Davey
30 June	'The fossil history of an iconic genus' - Dr Liz Truswell
7 July	'Local extinctions of birds from Canberra's inner north nature reserves' - Con Boekel

Exhibitions at ANBG cont.

'Regenerate'

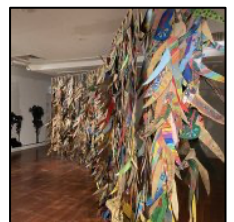
Wednesday 29 June to Sunday 31 July

A communal creative exploration of the way Australian bushland responds to fire, in particular the regeneration that occurs in Australian bushland after bushfires.

During 2021 and 2022, Shoalhaven Regional Gallery supplied leaf and new growth templates printed on card for people to cut out and

decorate in any materials, in either drab 'burnt' colours or bright, 'new leaf' colours. These were then

installed on a series of hanging ribbons to create a curtain of colour and pattern for visitors to enjoy.



New Book

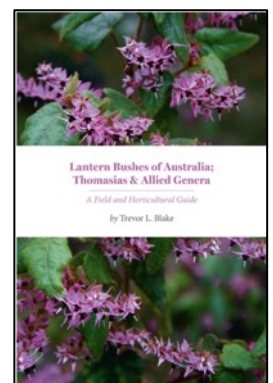
Lantern Bushes of Australia; Thomasias & Allied Genera. A Field and Horticultural Guide by Trevor Blake

Editor: Jane Canaway

Publisher:

Australian Plants Society - Keilor Plains Group, Victoria. RRP: \$50.00

For more information contact kpbook@apskeilorplains.org.au



‘Which Threatened Species Are Found Near Me?’ – a new App is available

Threatened species in Australia are in trouble. To learn about the animals and plants closest to you and how to help them there is a new app - **Threatened Australians - find threatened species near you**

This app uses federal government data to introduce you to the threatened species living in your neighbourhood. By entering a postcode, users can learn what the species looks like, where they can be found (in relation to their electorate), and what’s threatening them. Importantly, users can learn about their incumbent elected representative, and the democratic actions that work towards making a difference.

Threatened Australians - <https://www.threatened.org.au> - is a collaboration between conservation scientists from University of Queensland Centre for Biodiversity and Conservation Science (CBCS), interaction design academics from Queensland University of Technology Design Lab and web developers from Wando Labs.

ANPSC Spring Plant Sale 15 October 2022 at ANBG

Help Scientists Monitor Native Plants After Extreme Weather Events

Nature lovers are being called on to get involved in an Australia-wide native plant hunt, which will see citizen scientists help researchers collect observations and data on how vegetation is recovering after devastating floods and bushfires.

Go to the CSIRO Media release to find out more at: https://www.csiro.au/en/news/news-releases/2022/help-scientists-monitor-native-plants-after-extreme-weather-events?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=example&utm_campaign=ALA%20Newsletter%20May%202022



Australian Network for
Plant Conservation Inc

The final webinar in a 4-part series, ‘**An introduction to seed testing, germination and dormancy**’, will be held from 1-2pm on **Thursday 9 June**. To subscribe go to: <https://www.anpc.asn.au/anpc-news/>

‘**Plant Treasures – in conversation**’. ‘*The role of nursery and living collections in conserving native plant species: current practices and future needs.*’

You can listen to the recording of this 13 May webinar on the ANPC YouTube channel. Go to: www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zx1o_qMSXyo

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 4 June at 12.30pm, Rosser Room, Banks Building, ANBG.

Council Business - Council Minutes are on our website in Members Area under ‘Minutes’. The May 2022 ones will go up after the June Council Meeting.

Next Bulletin: July 2022: If you have any items you think would be of interest to our members including photos, please send them by Wednesday 29 June to bulletin@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Plant Sales

Australian Native Plant Market

Next Market Day is 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.

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>

A nursery to add to the ‘Where to buy’ list:

Wagtail Natives Nursery, Middlingbank Road, Cootralantra NSW 2628.

Healthy, hardy native plants from the NSW Snowy Monaro Region. www.wagtailnativesnursery.com.au/

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ANPSC Notices

New Members – a warm welcome to

- ☿ Julian Parise
- ☿ Jillian Robilliard
- ☿ Ana Ortiz

Members Meeting Speakers

Our speaker organiser is now Lena Saboisky. Lena is also a Council member.

If you have any speaker suggestions Lena would be pleased to hear from you - please email her at lenasaboisky@gmail.com

ANPSC vacancies

Members wishing to volunteer for any of the following positions or seek further information please contact our Secretary, Christine Kendrick, at secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au

ANPSC Council positions

Four ANPSC Council positions are still vacant: Assistant Secretary/Treasurer and three ordinary members.

Wednesday Walks Coordinator

ANPSC Council has reactivated Wednesday Walks and our next walk will be on 1 June.

We are seeking the assistance of a member to provide the Coordinator role. This involves sending out information about the walks via our MailChimp system and any reports walk leaders produce following the walk.

The WW group decide where they wish to go each week and WW members provide the leader for the walk. The Coordinator does not necessarily have to attend walks. MailChimp is a relatively easy group mail system and training will be provided.

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:

Want to change how you receive these emails?

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



Photos Rt of what is flowering in Bill Willis' garden – Acacia genistifolia, Phebalium woombye, Grevillea victoriae subsp. Novalis 'Murray Queen', Brachyscome multifida, Adenanthos sericeus 'Bronze Glow', Crowea saligna. Photos by Bill.

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



Conservation

Petition to Protect Bluetts Block-Piney Ridge

Help by signing and sharing the petition.

Closing date is 7 July. Go to

<https://epetitions.act.gov.au/CurrentEPetition.aspx?PetId=219&Index=-1>

'Bluetts Block' or 'Piney Ridge' is an area of woodland and dry forest located to the west of the new suburb of Denman Prospect in Molonglo Valley.

The Conservation Council ACT Region has launched an ACT Legislative Assembly e-petition to have the area given Nature Reserve status to protect its biodiversity values as it is under threat from encroaching urban development.



Members Activities

ANPSC Plant Sales

Contact: plantsales@nativeplantscbr.com.au

****We are looking for a new Plant Sale Coordinator – see Notice on the Front page.**

****Wednesday Walkers (WWs)****

Contact: Christine Kendrick at secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au

These weekly walks have started up again with the first held on 25 May. The next is on 1 June at Mcleods Creek Nature Reserve.

We always stop somewhere along the track for morning tea and lunch – BYO.

If you would like to receive emailed details of future WWs, register your interest in your membership record in the members area on our website.



Brooks Hill Reserve:
A luminous
Eucalyptus rossii in
front of a
magnificent
Exocarpos
cupressiformis,
Leucochrysum
albicans ssp
albicans var tricolor,
Xerochrysum
viscosum, Hibbertia
obtusifolia.

Photos by
Gail Ritchie Knight



Rt - Walking in Brooks
Hill Reserve.
Photo by Lucinda Royston

Propagation

Propagation group queries to

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

June Propagation Bee

Sunday 19 June, from 10am to 1pm

3 Considine Close, Queanbeyan

We will be doing cuttings.

Please bring labelled cuttings, and weather-appropriate clothing (hats, beanies, coats etc) secateurs or scissors, gloves if you want them and some lunch if you want to stay to eat at the end of the session.

We will provide tea/coffee, sanitiser and other propagation materials. If it's raining we will be under cover.

Grevilleas strike well in winter so a variety of Grevilleas would be appreciated. Beginners welcome. Contact Lyndal on ☎0418 972 438 if you have questions.



Propagation Workshop

Photo (by Nola McKeon) taken at our successful workshop held in May at the Shadehouse at CIT Bruce.



Field Trips

Our Field Trip Coordinator is Jeanette Jeffery

Contact: 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

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.

June Field Trip

This trip to is Full.

July Field Trip

Bundeena – Royal National Park

Monday 25 to Thursday 28 July

A trip for those who want to breathe some fresh air in July.

Walks will mostly be on formed trails. Warmer weather and Spring flowers will be starting.

Suggested accommodation is at Bundeena where there are many options including sharing Mollies Cottage at Bundeena and Airbnbs. Camping is available in the National Park at Bonnie Vale.

Contact: Pat & Warwick Wright ☎0406 662 122, warwickwright28@gmail.com.

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
Contact: Colin and Jeanette Jeffery
fieldtrip@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Photos Rt

ANPSC and Sale Field Naturalists members on a guided walk in Alberton West Forest. Jean Smith photo

Photos by Fran Middleton:

- Nooramunga Marine and Coastal Park, Victoria - important seagrass habitat. With saltbush, samphire and succulent plants.

- Port Albert - mangroves (*Avicenna marina*)

- Walking in Tarra Bulga NP

April Field Trip



Day Activity Group* & Garden Design Study Group

Contact: dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au

Coordinating Committee members:

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

* DAG

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 Garden Visit - Kambah

****Saturday 11 June, 2pm****

Please note day change

We will be visiting the garden of Mark and Cathy Dearnley in Kambah.

The owners knew nothing about gardening before arriving in Australia but soon became enthralled by Australian coastal landscapes with their windswept vegetation and later by dry inland landscapes with their sparse beauty and sun-bleached colours. These landscapes have inspired the native garden in Kambah which was started in 2018 with Mark spending the first 6 months digging up or chopping down the pre-existing 'stark non-gardeners' garden. Trenches were then dug to slow and collect rainwater, and successful use of gravel mulch to let rainwater through to the soil below. The young garden is a pleasure to see.

Lunch will be held beforehand at 12.30 at a nearby cafe.

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

DAGs report – May Garden visit

On Sunday 15 May, 17 group members visited Jennifer Crone's young indigenous native garden in Belconnen. The rain had passed and the sun even made an appearance. Unfortunately for Jennifer a large limb had broken off the *Eucalyptus nicholii* in her front garden and blocked the driveway earlier in the day. Thankfully almost all her planting were OK.

Jennifer addressed the group outlining her thoughts behind her plant choices and garden design. Her primary aim being to maximise diversity in order to provide a habitat for small creatures and insects. Jennifer also explained her experiments with training plants using the Japanese garden tree pruning method called Niwak. It will be very interesting to see how the garden develops over time. Maureen Mallard.

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.

May Garden visit



Above: damaged *Eucalyptus nicholii* in front garden.
Below: training plants using the Japanese 'Niwak' method.
All photos by Lucinda Royston



**Show and Tell –Some plants flowering at Ben and Ros’ home in Red Hill in May.
Text by Ros Walcott, photos by Ben**



Banksia ‘Bird Song’
We planted three of these hybrids, *B. spinulosa* ‘dwarf’ x *ericifolia* ‘Golden Girl’ in August 2013. These are hardy banksias, height 1.5m x 1.5m, which flower prolifically throughout autumn and winter with shiny green foliage and orange spikes of flower. Honeyeaters love this plant.



Correa ‘Snowbelle’
We planted this spreading shrub, 1m high x 1.5m wide, with dainty white flowers over a long period, in April 2020.



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.

Brachyscome multifida ‘Amethyst’
We have planted 110 of this low growing perennial with attractive purple daisy flowers over many months, from 2003-2009. Some of these have died in the heat and drought, but most persist, especially if they have some cover.



Grevillea pimelioides
We planted this erect shrub, 2.5m high, with red tipped, hard yellow flowers in a pot in September 2010. This plant is native to the Helena and Canning River regions southeast of Perth, WA. We transplanted our specimen to a large pot in February 2012 and cut it back quite severely. Our original plant died in December 2016 and we planted another in July 2020.



Correa ‘Isabell’
We have planted 17 of these small spreading shrubs, which grow to 75cm high, with grey-green leaves and soft pink flowers, from 2017-21. This Bywong Nursery selection definitely needs overhead protection in our garden and most of our plants have succumbed to sun and frost.