



## Members Meeting and AGM

**Thursday, 10 November**

**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:** Gail Ritchie Knight

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

### **November Raffle prizes:**

The plants will be provided by: member growers Ben Wallace and 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.

### **\*Please note our new Post**

**Office Box.** Details in the Bulletin Heading above.



'At the Plant Sale' - Canberra Times, 26 October.

## Meeting Talk: Bush Blitz

**Bush Blitz** is Australia's largest nature discovery program. Around three-quarters of Australia's biodiversity is still waiting to be discovered by science. Bush Blitz is a unique cross-sector partnership that organises expeditions to document plants and animals across Australia.

In this talk, we will hear how Bush Blitz has been discovering new species since 2010, with over 1,700 new species discovered across 41 expeditions, making it the largest program of its type in the world. But Bush Blitz is about more than just discovering new species, it also engages with land managers, traditional owners, teachers and students. Find out about where Bush Blitz groups have been, including the RV Investigator voyage in WA and NT, and where they are going, over the next few years.



## Guest Speaker: Dr Kate Grarock

Kate is the Bush Blitz expedition leader and is responsible for leading teams into the remote locations that are characteristic of a Bush Blitz expedition. Kate is an ecologist, who worked for 5 years on research and restoration of critically endangered grassy woodlands in the ACT, before joining the Bush Blitz team. In her spare time Kate loves hiking and getting outdoors.

<https://bushblitz.org.au>

## Council members for 2022/2023

At our AGM, all 11 elected Council positions will be declared vacant and elections for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer and six ordinary members will be held.

**We encourage members to come along to the AGM and elect our Council members for 2023.**

The Society needs members' support and new and different ideas and views to achieve its aims and importantly to enable the Society to continue to function. We need members to step forward and take up roles on Council.

Please consider the valuable contribution you would make being a Council member and helping to manage the ongoing affairs and running of the Society. You may nominate yourself or another member.

If you have any queries please contact either Stephen Saunders, President at [president@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:president@nativeplantscbr.com.au) or Christine Kendrick, Secretary at [secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:secretary@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

**The deadline for articles for ANPSC's March 2023 Journal is 1 February**

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**

**Dirk Lejuene Timber Mosaics**

**26 October to 20 November**

A sculptural feast of three-dimensional decorative wood mosaics. Inspired by Dirk's fascination of the Australian bush, his artworks consist of timber, bark and crosscuts of branches.



**Illuminate**

**24 November to 11 December**

The 11th Annual Friends Photographic Group exhibition highlights the different moods and inhabitants of the Gardens.



**Trees: Remnants & Reserves**

**14 December to 22 January 2023**

An exhibition featuring drawings, by botanical artist Morgyn Phillips, recording just a few of the trees found in precious remnants of woodlands and forests along the east coast of Australia, and west of the Great Divide – to remind us of what little remains and what needs to be protected.



**Open Gardens Canberra**

The following gardens have either some or largely Australian native plant component. **All the gardens open on Saturday and Sunday, 10am to 4pm.** More info at <https://opengardenscanberra.org.au>

**5 to 6 November: Sarah's Garden: 45 Middleton Cct., Gowrie**

Non-natives and new plantings include local indigenous species wherever possible and a 'guerrilla' garden out into the urban 'park' planted with mainly local grassland species.

**12 to 13 November: Pillans Garden: 30 Aspen Rise, Jerrabomberra**

An entirely native garden which features over 1000 individual species, including more than 70 acacia species and more than 70 grevillea species. A wide range of bird species frequent the garden and the number is increasing as the garden develops. Existing mature eucalypts are complemented by plants sourced from a wide variety of local, regional and far-flung sources, including some not normally grown in the Canberra region. One section of the garden has been developed as a dry 'rainforest' gully using species with glossy, dark green leaves. Owners are ANPSC members.

**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>

3 November	'The rise of mega forest fires under climate change and what to do about it.' - Dr Pep Canadell.
10 November	Botanical Art and Botany, the work of Wendy and Bill Cooper - Frank Zich '
17 November	Fuel flammability and past fires?'- Margot Schneider '
24 November	Biological control of sea spurge (Euphorbia paralias) in Australia - Dr Gavin Hunter '

**Items of interest**

**From Bill Willis**

Angus's Plants for Aussie Birds - Acacia ulicifolia  
<https://youtube/Ku1SPJTouHw>

**From Rosemary Blemings**

**Article about the bespoke seeding machine - Flora Restorer.**

Dimples from 'Flora' as mine goes to seed  
[https://michaelwest.com.au/dimples-from-flora-as-mine-goes-to-seed/?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=2022-10-23&utm\\_campaign=Today+s+news+from+Michael+West+Media](https://michaelwest.com.au/dimples-from-flora-as-mine-goes-to-seed/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_term=2022-10-23&utm_campaign=Today+s+news+from+Michael+West+Media)

**Plant Sales**

**Australian Native Plant Market**

**Next Market Day - Saturday 5 November, 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>

## 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 7 November at 12.30pm, Celia Rosser Room, Banks Building, ANBG.

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

October Council Minutes will go up on the website after they are approved at the November Council Meeting

**Next Bulletin: December 2022:** If you have any items you think would be of interest to our members including photos, please send them by Wednesday 23 November to [bulletin@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:bulletin@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

### 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.

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Want to change how you receive these emails?

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## ANPSC Notices

### New Members

A warm welcome to new members:

- ☘ Justin Roberts
- ☘ Hugh Coppell
- ☘ Matt Ryan
- ☘ Stef Cox
- ☘ Belinda Moore

### Members Meeting Speakers

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

### Write-ups of Member's Meetings talks

For those who may not be able to attend meetings, we are trialling articles on the speaker presentations in our Journal. The first of these appeared in our September Journal. The October members meeting talk, speaker Woo O'Reilly on Waterwatch, will be in the December Journal.

Steve Saunders, President

### Christmas Items - supporting the Eremophila Study Group

The Eremophila Study Group is celebrating its 50th anniversary and has **launched an Eremophila-themed Christmas Card, birthday card, present-wrapping paper and a colouring book**, to raise funds for its research into Eremophila germination.

**These items are available for sale** to the general public. If you would like to see the range and order something, go to

[anpsa.org.au/eremophilasg/merchandise](http://anpsa.org.au/eremophilasg/merchandise).

The image from the front of the Christmas card and the images on the 500x700mm wrapping paper are shown below.



### 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)



## \*Seed wanted of local species\*

The Propagation Group has been asked if we grow local pea species, in particular:

Bossiaea buxifolia and B prostrata; Daviesia leptophylla; Dillwynia phyllicoides and D. sp Yetholme; Gompholobium huegelli; Hovea heterophylla; Podolobium procumbens; Pultenaea procumbens and P. microphylla.

If anyone is growing these, and is willing to offer seed, would you please contact Lyndal Thorburn at [lthorburn@viria.com.au](mailto:lthorburn@viria.com.au) or ☎0418 972 438, to arrange a suitable time to collect the seed ie later in the season, when seed have set.

## Conservation

### Myrtle Rust

#### From the Invasive Species Council web site

‘Myrtle rust, an invasive fungal disease, slipped through Australia's biosecurity system in 2010. It impacts many native trees, including certain eucalypts and tea-trees. It causes grey to brown leaf spots on the leaves and buds of trees, is known to severely interfere with tree flowering and fruiting, can kill infected tissue and sometimes leads to death in seedlings and even in some mature trees.’



Photo by Tim Low.

‘The latest science tells us that myrtle rust could send 16 rainforest trees extinct in a generation. This is a fungus that stops key rainforest trees, like native myrtles, turpentines and guavas from growing and reproducing.

And the bad news is the situation is getting worse. Myrtle rust has found its way into the Kimberley in WA.’

[www.invasives.org.au/](http://www.invasives.org.au/)

## Members Activities

### 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](#)’.

## ANPSC Plant Sales

Our Plant Sale Coordinator is Tom Jordan

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

### ANPSC's October Spring Plant Sale

**‘Many thanks to all the members and growers who helped with our successful Spring Plant Sale!’**

Over 6,000 plants were provided by the member growers and ANPSC's propagation group. Thanks to the experience of the helpers (over 30 assisted), the set up on Friday was done at a steady and manageable pace. Thanks also to the people who helped on the early set up on Thursday afternoon and early on Friday. As well as the plants, the signs, marquees, tables and other materials were all ready for the finishing touches on Saturday morning. Due to the pleasant atmosphere, there was time for coffee and chats.

We were happy that Saturday turned out to be warm, sunny and pleasant weather. Over 30 volunteers (including growers) were ready to welcome and help customers. Due to the lower numbers of plants available, there was no early ticketing, and a good crowd was brought in at 8:30am. The first hour was busy, without being rushed and we had almost universally positive comments on the Sale. After the first busy hour, the pace of the rest of the day was more relaxed. The Sale finished by 1pm, and the clean-up was smooth and complete by 2:30pm – again thanks to the good efforts of the supporters.

There were nearly five hundred customer purchases, with only a few hundred of the plants remaining unsold. The income from this Sale makes an important contributor to the financial viability of the Society. More importantly, the Sale is a great contributor to our objectives, and its success is a great showcase for our group.

Thanks again to all involved.’

Tom Jordan, Plant Sale coordinator.



At the Plant Sale.

Andy Russell photo

# October Spring Plant Sale



- ANBG staff checking for Myrtle rust (LR)
- The 8.30 rush. (LR)



- Grower (Alison) brings her plants to the Sale. (LR)
- Buyers choosing their plants. (LR)



- Setting out plants on Friday (LR)
- Buyers queuing to pay for their plants (AR)



- plants set out ready for Sale (LR)
- Payment area - totalling buyers' plants. (LR)
- Merelyn, Gail and Lena ready for buyers to pay for their plants. (LR)



- Buyers coming into the Sale at 8.30am. (LR)



- End of the Sale - not many plants left! (AR)

Andy Russell photos AR  
Lucinda Royston photos LR



## 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 and no experience is necessary. You do need to register your interest by emailing [propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:propagation@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

## November Propagation

### Potting up

Sunday 13 November, from 9.30am to 1.00pm

3 Considine Close, Queanbeyan

Note - not at CIT Bruce unless raining\*

We will be potting up struck cuttings.

Please bring gloves, clothing suitable for the weather, hat, your own snack for morning tea.

Tea and coffee provided.

All welcome. No experience needed.

Contact Lyndal Thorburn

[lthorburn@viria.com.au](mailto:lthorburn@viria.com.au) or ☎0418 972 438.

\*If rain is likely, venue will be CIT at Bruce, Charles Weston Lane off Eade Street – contact Nola ☎0447 522 735 if in doubt.

### \*Seed wanted of local species\*

See page 4 for details.

## 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, email Jeanette to go on the emailing list.

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

## Future Field Trips

‘Our planned trip in November is cancelled and we have no plans for December so if anyone has some thoughts on a place to go with good companions and friends, please make a suggestion. I'm sure you will get takers!’ Jeanette



DAG garden visit: Bill looking at the Mistletoe hand attached to the eucalypt and Alison with one of her chooks; Prostanthera incana; and front garden with mallee eucalypts, chrysocephalums and bulbines.

Lucinda Royston photos.

## 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.

\* DAG

Register your interest in DAG in your membership record in our website members area to receive DAG MailChimp emails detailing the next activity.

## DAG November Activity

Tuesday 15 November, in the morning.

Fyshwick, ACT

Day Activity Group (DAG) will visit a wild landscape project in Fyshwick hosted by Ben Taylor.

Details will be sent to Day Activity Group members.

## Report of the DAG October Activity

On Sunday 16 October, the day after the Society's Spring Plant Sale, 18 members of the Daytime Activity Group (DAG) made their way up the long driveway to the home and garden of Alison Roche and Darryl Crapp in Karabar, NSW, there to be greeted by an extensive informal display of chrysocephalums, bulbines and wallaby grass.

Having taken over a large battleaxe block surrounded by many neighbours, Alison and Darryl set about clearing away the existing plantings of exotics while preserving a small stand of the eucalypts typical of the indigenous flora and opening up a fine view of the escarpment to the east of Queanbeyan. Prominent amongst an eclectic array of natives they have planted were a Prostanthera incana (?) in spectacular flower and several rich orange Fabaceae glowing through the understory. Tea and Alison's excellent cake rounded off a very enjoyable visit on a, for once, sunny afternoon. Digby Gascoine

## DAG 2023 Program

The DAG Committee is now planning its 2023 program, including a visit to the Illawarra Grevillea Garden. If you have a garden you'd like to share with the group, or have a garden suggestion, please contact the DAG Committee soon by emailing [dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au](mailto:dagsleader@nativeplantscbr.com.au)

## Show and Tell – Flowering now in the Walcott garden.

Text by Ros Walcott and photos by Ben Walcott.



### **Anopterus glandulosus - Native Laurel**

This plant is an endemic of Tasmania and is limited to rainforest areas. It forms an evergreen shrub, 2-4m high, sometimes a tree to 10m, with 'lily of the valley' flowers. We planted one in July 2014 and it flowered in October 2014, but died in the heat and dryness of January 2016. We have planted another in a pot in March 2021.



### **Aotus ericoides**

We have planted two of these upright spreading shrubs, 0.5-1.5m high x 0.5 – 1.5m wide producing yellow flowers with a red centre, in 2019-2020. The first one died in the heat of December 2019, but the second persists in a pot and the long flowering stems wave attractively in the wind.



### **Boronias in pots:**

#### **Boronia anemonifolia**

We planted this upright shrub, 0.7m high x 0.6m wide, with narrow leaves and many small pink to white flowers in March 2018.

#### **Boronia denticulata**

We planted two of these shrubs, 1m high x 1m wide, with bright green aromatic leaves and many showy pink flowers, in 2011 and 2018. The first plant died of heat stress in January 2018, but the second persists, despite the horrors of summer 2020. This species is native to southwestern WA.

#### **Boronia heterophylla red**

We planted this upright shrub, 1-2m high x 1-2m wide, with fine bright green aromatic foliage and red bell shaped flowers, in a pot in October 2021. This plant prefers dappled shade and must be protected from frost and hot winds.

#### **Boronia keysii**

We planted this rare species of boronia from southeastern Queensland, height to 2m, with aromatic foliage and pink, star-shaped flowers in November 2019. This plant was lost to science for 62 years then rediscovered in 1971.

#### **Boronia 'Lipstick'**

We planted this hybrid boronia, *B. crassipes* x *B. heterophylla*, height 1-2.5m x 50-75cm, an upright, evergreen shrub with narrow, aromatic leaves and many large, purple-pink bell-shaped flowers, in a pot in September 2020.

**Show and Tell – Flowering now in the Bill’s and Heather’s garden in Greenleigh.  
Photos by Bill Willis.**



- From top Lt round to at Lt**
- *Solanum linearifolium* - Mountain Kangaroo Apple
  - *Phebalium squamulosum*
  - *Tasmania lanceolata* - Native Pepper(female)
  - *Phebalium notti* – Pink
  - *Hardenbergia violacea*
  - *Calothamnus villosus* - one-sided bottle brush
  - The Backyard
  - *Dodonea sinuolata* - Native Hopbush (female)
  - *Pomaderris intermedia*
  - *Pultenaea microphylla* var. *microphylla*
- Below**  
*Leucochrysum albicans* & *Craspedia variabilis*

