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#### BRANCH DIARY

### **NEXT EVENTS**

#### **14 JUNE**

Evening lecture . Lisa Clausen - *Cruden Farm Garden Diaries* 

#### 12 JULY

Evening lecture . Dr Greg Johnson . *Write Now: Gardening in Australia* 1989-2038

#### 9 AUGUST

AGM and Annual Lecture: Lainie Lawson OAM - Rescue and Reality: some thoughts on garden restoration

#### **20** September

Visit to the Australian Botanic Garden and PlantBank, Mt Annan

### For your diaries

**9 NOVEMBER** The much anticipated visit to the Jugiong district (Originally scheduled for 10 November)

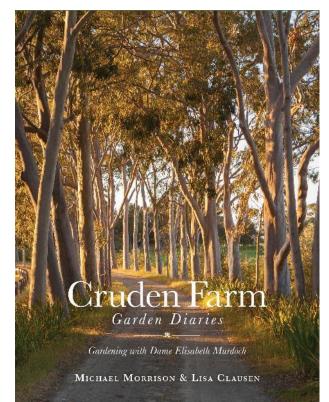
#### AGHS NATIONAL CONFERENCE

#### 26-29 OCTOBER 2018

AGHS National Conference Southern Highlands: *Gardens in time of peace and conflict*  Lecture: Cruden Farm Garden Diaries – forty years of friendship and artistry in one of Australia's most famous private gardens SPEAKER: LISA CLAUSEN

THURSDAY 14 JUNE, 6PM

Our twelfth joint event with the Friends of the National Library



Cruden Farm, 56km south-east of Melbourne, was the cherished home and garden of philanthropist Dame Elisabeth Murdoch for more than 80 years before her death in 2012. Working alongside her most days for four decades was Crudenos head gardener, Michael Morrison, and this book traces the history of their deep friendship and creative partnership. Lisa will discuss how she drew on Morrisong diaries to write this intimate insight into two extraordinary people and their shared dedication to creating and sharing one of Australiacs best loved gardens.

Lisa Clausen is a writer based in Melbourne. She was a senior writer for *TIME Magazine* (South Pacific edition) and her work has appeared in many publications, including *The Monthly* and

Fairfax Good Weekend Magazine. Cruden Farm Garden Diaries, her first book, won the Special JudgesqPrize in the Victorian Community History Awards 2017.

Venue	Theatre, National Library of Australia
Cost	\$15 for AGHS members and Friends of the NLA, \$20 for non-members
	includes refreshments.
Booking	Bookings through the NLA at
	https://www.nla.gov.au/event/cruden-farms-garden-diaries
	NO bookings to be made through AGHS.



#### BRANCH Committee

Sue Byrne, Chair Judy Pearce, Dep. Chair & Newsletter Editor Helen Elliot, Treasurer Kay Johnston, State NMC Representative Nancy Clarke, Secretary

Bronwyn Blake (also on NMC) Sue Cassidy Wendy Dodd Greg Johnson Helen Wilson Marie Wood

## Lecture: Write Now: Gardening in Australia 1989 – 2023 SPEAKER: DR GREG JOHNSON

### THURSDAY 12 JULY, 6PM

In the last 30 years, gardens and gardening have been transformed by challenges and technologies once barely dreamt about.

Challenges include ozone depletion and climate change, skyrocketing costs of water and electricity, our rising population and 'closing the gap' for indigenous Australians. And at the global level, there's terrorism and war, and solving the refugee crisis. Meanwhile the mechanisation of gardening, GMOs and the revolution in computer aided design, the internet, phone cameras, social media, and drones, are among the developments. All are influencing how and where we garden.

We've seen local plant nurseries disappearing, with the 'Bunnification' of hardware and garden supplies delivering more diverse and cheaper options for the garden. In tandem, on-line and mail-order shopping, seed-saving, and a proliferation of plant fairs, have provided a wider range of garden gems, and, a lifeline to smaller growers. People, gardens and gardening continue to evolve. The emergence of coffee culture, foot-path dining, ever grander out-door living spaces, longer working hours, and the decline in housing affordability have encouraged new trends in landscape, garden voyerism and throw-away plants!

Garden writing, presenting, and illustration have become more diverse. Garden gurus and celebrities have risen in stature, and even ordinary gardeners can become writers and bloggers with global audiences! This lecture will consider some of these influences on 'gardening write now', while speculating on what else the future holds! It continues on from Greg's 2016 lecture, *Write On Gardening in Australia*–1939-1988.

Greg Johnson has collected early Australian gardening books for over 30 years. He was gardening correspondent for the sub-tropics for Your Garden magazine from 1989 to 1995, and is a great-great grandson of John Mann, gardener and fruit seller, a Chinese indentured labourer who came to Queensland before the gold rushes.



Venue

Theatre, Canberra Museum and Gallery, Crn London Cct and Civic Square. Paid parking to the north of CMAG, and free parking from 5.30 across Northbourne Avenue near the Law Courts. See map on Page 15

Cost \$10 AGHS and CMAG members and \$15 non-members (Includes refreshments) Booking Form Page 12.

We thank Canberra Museum and Gallery for their support for this lecture and our AGM and lecture on 9 August.

## Branch Annual General Meeting

#### THURSDAY 9 AUGUST, 5.45PM

The AGM of the ACT Monaro Riverina Branch of the AGHS will be held at Canberra Museum and Gallery just prior to the 2018 Annual Lecture (see below).

#### AGENDA

- 1. Attendance
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting (24 August 2017)
- 4. Chairos report
- 5. Treasurercs report
- 6. Election of Committee for 2018-2019

Committee nominations close **28 June 2018** but can also be accepted from the floor at the meeting. If youqe interested in joining the Committee and would like to talk to someone about it please contact our Treasurer Helen Elliot - <u>ellioth@bigpond.net.au</u>, phone 6284 4749.

Committee members serve a term of three years, with the option of extending for two further terms. We meet once a month and all Committee members take a role in organising Society events and/or the Committee business activities. New members would be very welcome.

### Annual Lecture: Rescue and Reality: some thoughts on garden restoration SPEAKER: LAINIE LAWSON OAM THURSDAY 9 AUGUST, 6PM

Having observed garden restoration projects both in Australia and the UK over the past 30 years, Lainie is questioning current methods and outcomes. She is also interested in pursuing the influence of Open Gardens Australia on the conservation of private gardens.

**Lainie Lawson** is a long standing member of AGHS having joined in the 1980s when working in heritage conservation as Senior Curator of Historic Places in The ACT Government. She has served on the Boards of Open Gardens Australia, the Historic Houses Trust of NSW, the Australiana Fund, AGHS, and is currently on the Management Committee of the National Trust of NSW. She now lives on a small farming property at Nimmitabel where she enjoys her garden and continues to be involved in heritage projects.

Venue	Theatre, Canberra Museum and Gallery, Crn London Cct and Civic Square
Cost	\$10 for AGHS and CMAG members, \$15 for non-members includes refreshments. Booking Form Page 12.

### Visit to the Australian Botanic Garden and PlantBank, Mt Annan

#### **THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER**

Many members will recall the splendid talk on the Australian PlantBank presented to the 2016 AGHS Conference by Dr Cath Offord. Join us on the 20 September for a spring excursion to the Australian Botanic Garden, Mt Annan, and a behind-the-scenes tour of PlantBank (formerly the Australian Seed Bank).

The Australian Botanic Garden near Campbelltown NSW (part of the Royal Botanic Garden and Domain Trust) is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> birthday this year. It is a garden on a truly grand scale (416 hectares).

PlantBank is a secure seed repository and research facility for Australian plant species, containing over 10,000 seed collections, representing some 5,300 species. It is housed in a dazzling award-winning building, within the grounds of the Botanic Garden.



Plant Bank, Mt Annan

After we arrive at the Garden, an expert volunteer guide will join us in our coach for a one-hour tour of the Garden. Lunch will be in Melaleuca House, the on-site café-restaurant, and after this we will visit PlantBank, where guides will lead us on 1½ hour tour of PlantBank, visiting not only the public spaces but the working areas. We will be on foot for this tour, so good footwear is important.

There will be time to walk in the wonderful Connection Garden directly opposite the Visitor Centre, which in spring is particularly spectacular with its massed display of paper daisies.

We will travel by (comfortable) coach, and morning tea, lunch and tours of the Garden and PlantBank are included. Cost: \$75 members, \$85 non-members. Please book as soon as possible . we need to lock in our bookings for the coach and the tours!!

Details including booking information on Pages 13 & 14. Because we need to make firm bookings prepayment is required, and no refunds will be possible after 20 August.

### **Date for the Diary**

#### FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER

#### N.B. We had originally advertised this trip as Saturday 10 November

We are currently in the process of finalising a much anticipated visit to *Bundarbo Station*, the home of branch member Sue Chisholm and husband Sam, on Friday 9 November. The day will also include a visit to *Goonawarra* near Harden and the historic grounds and gardens of *St Clement's Retreat and Conference Centre*, in Galong. Here is a little information on each to whet your appetite! Please save the date. Further details and information on when you can book to attend will be available in the August Newsletter. **BUNDARBO** Bundarbo was established in 1847 by Henry Osborne and dates back to the earliest years of settlement on the Murrumbidgee River. Typical of the era, Bundarbo was virtually a small kingdom. The school house, stables, gardener¢ hut and a number of outbuildings bear testimony to a time when dozens of families called the property home, depending on Bundarbo for their livelihood.

The homestead is situated on a gentle rise above the river and in the 1950s Edna Walling developed a special friendship with the Osbornes. Her skillful imprint can still be detected in the low stone walls that delineate the spaces, enabling the garden to flow seamlessly into the landscape.

Long established trees including cedars, elms and pepper trees frame the homestead which overlooks a billabong, productive orchard and rose garden.

Over the past 20 years the garden has been edited under the guidance of Trisha Dixon Burkitt, the writer, photograph and designer.



Bundarbo Station – Photo provided by Sue Chisholm

**GOONAWARRA** Goonawarra was established at Goonawarra in 1938 by Roy and Mary Flanery in what had been a large wheat paddock. In 1962 it was totally demolished with only a handful of trees remaining and dramatically redesigned by landscape gardener Kath Carr for Mary who planted and tended the garden for many years.

Goonawarra is now owned and cared for by Gail Flanery. It holds a special place for all the family having hosted birthdays, weddings, christenings, parties and days with friends. It is very much a loved garden and one designed to explore with interesting things to see and sit on at all times of the year. It was never intended that this be a show garden but one that would be quietly beautiful and enjoyable.

According to Gail, the most wonderful tree in the garden is the magnificent **%** emon Scented Gum+Eucalyptus citriodora, located near the southern end of the tennis court. It was planted in February 1954 to commemorate the newly crowned Queen Elizabethos first visit to Australia.

#### ST CLEMENT'S RETREAT AND CONFERENCE CENTRE

Galong was settled and farmed by Irish transportee Edward NedqRyan in the late 1820c. Nedc son John Nagle Ryan bequeathed the property to the Redemptorist Congregation who established a monastery and a juvenate named for St Clement Hofbauer.

Over 2000 men were educated at Galong before the college closed in 1975 and a retreat and conference centre eventually established. Following on from the agricultural tradition of the Ryan family, the Redemptorist priests, brothers and students and now the Friends of St Clements ensure the farms viability and sustainability through the implementation of an extensive environmental plan. The Friends consider St Clements a sanctuary for the soul and the environment, with Friends and visitors encouraged to adopt an established tree providing for its care and ultimate replacement, or by planting a new tree in many groves still to be established.

## **PAST EVENTS**

### National Trust Open Day: Lanyon Homestead Saturday April 14

Our AGHS Branch took part in this National Trust Open Day - the first event in the 2018 Canberra and Region Heritage Festival. As in previous years, a group of volunteer members staffed an AGHS stallq talking with interested people, publicising the Society and our coming events, and distributing free copies of back issues of *Australian Garden History*. Our stall offerings were enhanced by excellent greeting cards produced and sold by botanical artist Gillian Bellas.



The stall at Lanyon with our hardy volunteers

This is the first year that the Open Day has been held at Lanyon, and ACT Historic Places which manages this historic property had asked AGHS to conduct tours of the garden, concentrating on historical aspects of the landscaping and plantings. The extremely cold winds kept numbers down but during the day Anna Howe and Nancy Clarke led 5 groups through the gardens. As often happens, the tour guides both gave and received information, one of the most satisfying aspects of conducting guided tours. A member of one group told us that drones are now being used to inspect the 130-year-old bunya pines, flying above them and checking for hazardous branches and pine cones at risk of falling. *Nancy Clarke* 

### Landscapes of Learning, Tuggeranong School House Sunday 22 April

AGHS and the National Trust ACT hosted a visit to the surprising old School House in the Tuggeranong suburb of Chisholm. The brick building school on one side, school residence on the other - was built in 1880, succeeding two earlier schools in the area. A series of teachers lived and taught there, but after some 59 years the school closed in 1938, as new schools more convenient for the residents of the developing Canberra were opened. The site now belongs to the ACT Government. Storyteller, collector, social historian and author Elizabeth Burness has held the lease of the land and buildings since 2011, exploring the rich history of the School, filling the building with an evocative personal collection of items of historic interest, and using it as the centre from which she runs her educational business (History with a Difference), directed particularly towards young school children.

For the Heritage Festival visit, some 30 people enjoyed a fascinating afternoon visit to this little-known site. The group filled the benches in the School House for presentations by Elizabeth who demonstrated her story telling expertise as she gave us some excellent background information, and by local historian and AGHS member Anne Claoue-Long.

Only very limited information is available on the grounds of the School House, but drawing on photographs, letters, maps, newspaper accounts and other sources, Anne sketched for us what is now known about the site particularly during the period it operated as a School.

The name Tuggeranong means Cold Plains, an accurate enough name, not particularly reassuring for gardeners. Water was collected from the roofs of the buildings, supplemented (or replaced in dry times) by water from a spring a quarter of a mile distant. Again, difficult conditions for gardening.



Anne Claoue-Long displays the 1890 photo of the School House to attentive students

The original school paddock/farm was large, some 40 acres, and there are still stumps of radiata pines remaining from a shelter belt planted to protect the school paddock (late 1870s). An 1890 school photo (including the teacher Michael Kennedy) shows a gravelled assembly area, and an ornamental garden of mixed plantings, including young fruit trees (they look like peaches), and some flowering plants. Later information describes beehives (the long-serving Francis McGee was clearly a successful apiarist), grapevines and a small brick edged garden. In 1929 the new teacher Michael Duffy ordered an unnamed selection of flower seeds from Anderson and Co, Seedsmen in Sydney, and 1932 he obtained garden plants from the Government Nursery at Acton. And in 1937 the next teacher (Francis Luff) ordered hardy shrubs and trees from Works and Services . acacias, broom, japonica, holly and hawthorns. Opinions about desirability change - these are now environmental weeds.

Creating suitable garden surrounds for the School House is a major challenge for Elizabeth and her small group of assistants and Anne is providing expert assistance with this task. Visits to Rock Valley Homestead (Tidbinbilla) and in particular Riversdale in Goulburn are providing ideas on how best to create a garden that will evoke the idea of a garden appropriate to the period and the history of the site. There are challenges of different kinds - how to fund the project, and in particular, who is to provide the labour. Some working bees are being run, and Elizabeth would VERY warmly welcome volunteers who might like to assist in some way . phone 0400 391 440 or email <u>burness@iinet.net.au</u> if you are interested.

This was an enlightening and highly enjoyable visit, with %axtras+. Margaret Reid, Patron of the National Trust ACT officially launched the Heritage Festival, and local gardening guru Cedric Bryant presented Elizabeth with some old gardening tools (secateurs and garden shears), to extend her collection. The good weather held, so those attending were able to inspect the property while enjoying afternoon tea. *Nancy Clarke* 

## **New Members**

The committee would like to welcome the following new member who has joined since the last newsletter.

• Jennifer Evans, Canberra

## **BRANCH NEWS**

#### VISIT TO GINNINDERRY: THURSDAY 17 MAY

On a sunny morning in May, a small group of AGHS members drove out to Ginninderry, a new housing development area near Belconnen. In a joint venture between the ACT Government and the Riverview Pty Ltd, 11,500 homes will be built in stages over 37 years. The final population will be around 30,000, a similar population size to Yass or Goulburn. Of the 1600 hectare site, which was previously used for grazing, 800 hectares will be preserved as a Conservation Corridor.

At the Link, the information centre for the Ginninderry Project, we met David Maxwell, Managing Director of Ginninderry, Susan Davis, Community and Cultural Planning Manager and Jason Cummings, Conservation Manager.

David gave us an overview of the project, which includes the development of four new suburbs in the ACT and New South Wales overlooking the Murrumbidgee River. He highlighted the diversity of block sizes and housing types to suit people of all ages and stages, including affordable housing. Infrastructure and housing construction will focus on the health and welfare of the community and the environment, including solar panels and energy and water efficient appliances.

Susan described initiatives to help build links with the neighbouring suburb of Kippax through partnerships with medical, education, and sporting groups. The establishment of a community orchard, gardens and a choir open to all residents will help to create a sense of belonging. Artistic and cultural groups and the local Ngunnawal people make valuable contributions to community activities. Susan also mentioned the SPARK initiative which supports education, training and employment opportunities for residents.

A key attraction of the area is its proximity to the Murrumbidgee River and Ginninderra Falls. The Conservation Corridor, which extends along the river, provides habitat for the endangered pink-tailed worm lizard and stands of yellow box in the grassy woodland. Cycling paths, walking tracks and interpretive signs will provide residents with access to green spaces and help them learn how to look after their native plants and animals.

Jason and Susan then took us on a four wheel drive tour of the site. Our first stop was Shepherd¢ Lookout which offered magnificent views of the Murrumbidgee River and the Brindabellas - this lookout at the end of a short walking track off Stockdill Drive is open to the public. After some delicious banana cake for morning tea at our next stop, Jason took us on a short walk to view the delightful Ginninderra Falls. Future access to the Falls will be managed in partnership with the local Ngunnawal people to respect their archaeological and cultural history. Jason identified native plants of interest and explained how seed is being collected to propagate plants for gardens in the new development. On the way back, we visited the Belconnen Farm heritage precinct which will be open to the public after restoration. A magnificent stand of elm trees close to the homestead has been heritage listed.

After a pleasant and informative morning, we headed back to Canberra, reassured that the proposed development will safeguard the health and wellbeing of residents and the environment, not just the profit margin. We will watch with interest to see how the plans progress and whether the vision is achieved. **Sue Cassidy** 



AGHS contingent at Shepherd's Lookout with Jason Cummings – photo Susan Davis

## **OF INTEREST**

#### WINTER TALES

Talks organised at the NLA in association with the Australian Women's Archives Project, established in 2000 to build knowledge and recognition of the contribution made by women to Australia.

#### Sunday 10 June, 2-3pm Into the Archival Labyrinth

Join NLA Director-General Dr Marie-Louise Ayers on a relaxed Sunday afternoon for conversation and afternoon tea. Venue: NLA Conference Room, Cost: \$15 includes refreshments For more information and bookings https://www.nla.gov.au/event/winter-tales-into-the-archival-labyrinth

#### Sunday 29 July, 2-3pm

Speaker - Sarah Kimball, CEO of the Canberra Symphony Orchestra. Information not yet up on the NLA website.

#### TREES: AN EXHIBITION BY ARTISTS SHARON PEOPLES, WENDY DODD, JANET MEANEY, MARLI POPPLE, SUSAN HEY AND DEBORAH FAEYRGLENN

#### Wednesday 18 July – Sunday 5 August

ANCA Gallery, 1 Rosevear Place, Dickson

**18 July, 6pm**. Opening by Judy West, Executive Director National Botanic Gardens . AGHS members welcome

This exhibition is a reflection of six artists experience of seeing, being with and listening to trees. Their relationship to trees both above and below the earths surface is explored using textiles, paint, drawing, sound and video.

Living in Canberra and its environs, designed at the heart of the Garden City movement, it is difficult to avoid contact with trees. They are in our gardens, in our streets and define our landscapes. It pot just what we see and hear of trees in our quotidian lives that interests this group of artists. These artists belong to a larger collective of artists who have explored the concept of networks over ten years or so. The complex networking of trees was a catalyst for discussion within the larger group, Networks Australia, upon the reading of various scientific articles and Peter Wohllebenc *The Hidden Life of Trees* (2015). The artists planned and participated in an open-air exhibition *As Above and so Below* at the Australian National Botanical Gardens in Canberra in 2017. This ANCA exhibition extends these ideas of what it means to see, listen and importantly be with trees. Each artist is following her own exploration of trees.

#### NATIONAL TRUST ACT

Members of our Branch are welcome to join with National Trust members for the following events:

#### **Heritage Walks**

9.30. 11am, cost \$7, booking essential

- Sunday 22 July, Palmerville and Ginninderra Blacksmithc Workshop
- **Sunday 19 August**, ANU Aboriginal Heritage Walk
- Sunday 19 August, Heritage at Threat: City to Lake and Acton Peninsula
- Sunday 23 September, Discover Chifley with a Local

#### For all events visit

https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/act/ or phone 6230 0533

#### AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS www.anbg.gov.au

Lectures on a variety of topics are offered by the Friends of the National Botanic Gardens at 12.30pm on most Thursdays. No bookings are required, entry by gold coin donation. For details and updates check the Friendsqwebsite at <u>www.friendsanbg.org.au</u>. Of particular interest to members:

#### Thursday 21 June

#### Kipos or paradeisos? Speake:r Max Bourke

Max will illustrate how dry gardens of Greek Islands have given us a legacy of valuable foods but also some invasive species

#### Thursday 28 June

#### Indigenous Australians early contributions to zoology

Speaker: Honorary Professor Penny Olsen

It is well known that indigenous Australians often acted as guides to European expeditions. Much less recognized is that they also played a vital role in the scientific discovery and description of the continents unusual flora and fauna and understanding of its biology and ecology

#### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY OF CANBERRA http://www.hsoc.org.au/index.htm

The Horticultural Society holds talks at 7.30pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. For the program visit the HSOC website.

OPEN GARDENS CANBERRA http://opengardenscanberra.org.au/

OGC are currently planning their spring 2018 program. Visit the website for more details.

NATIONAL ARBORETUM CANBERRA www.arboretumcanberra.org.au

#### LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN GUARDIANS (LBGG) <u>http://lakeburleygriffinguardians.org.au/</u>

There are still a great many concerns regarding Lake Burley Griffin that have been continuing this year. Lake Burley Griffin Guardians were appalled that the ACT Government decided our Petition with 745 signatures was only worth forwarding on to the National Capital Authority even though we had sent a separate petition to the Federal Government in 2016. Our serious attempt to consult with the ACT Government on ACT issues appears to have been just flicked on without any attempt to consult with us and address the ACT issues set out in the Petition.

Despite letters from International ICOMOS President the ACT Government ignores lake heritage and is continuing with their intent to infill 2.8 ha of lake bed in order to pursue their intent of clogging up West Basin with elite apartments. Meanwhile, the Guardians are continuing to liaise with politicians to try to prevent the continuing destruction of Canberra's dignity.

During April, the Guardians undertook an early morning banner brigade on Commonwealth Avenue and were pleased with supportive response and very recently, several Guardians enjoyed a cultural tour on Black Mountain with Ngunnawal traditional owner Tyrone Bell of Thunderstone Corporation. We all enjoyed the walk and learnt a great deal about the use of native plants including how to whistle up snakes.

Juliet Ramsay



### AGHS BOOKING SLIP

Booking slips need to be returned no later than one week prior to the event to assist committee with planning. It is easier for your voluntary committee to get payment in advance but if you have difficulties paying by cheque or EFT please send the booking slip or an email to our Treasurer Helen Elliot at <u>ellioth@bigpond.net.au</u> (phone 6284 4749 home).

Names

Contact phone: (Evening/W/E) \_\_\_\_\_

Email:

Tick	Event	Cost	Numbers attending	Amount Incl \$
	<b>14 June</b> . Lecture: <i>The Cruden Farm Diaries</i> , NLA	Book through NLA https://www.nla.gov.au/event/ cruden-farms-garden-diaries <b>NO</b> bookings to be made through AGHS.		
	12 July – Lecture: Write Now	Members of AGHS & CMAG \$10 Non Members \$15		
	<b>9 August –</b> Lecture: <i>Rescue</i> and <i>Reality</i>	Members of AGHS & CMAG \$10 Non Members \$15		

#### Payment options:

Cheques payable to **Australian Garden History Society.** Please return the cheque and payment form to The Treasurer, AGHS, P O Box 5008, Lyneham ACT 2602 or contact Helen Elliot at <u>ellioth@bigpond.net.au</u> (phone 6284 4749 home) and pay by EFT.

By EFT Account name: **AGHS**, BSB: **801009**, Account number: **001062165** Please make sure you include the following reference information: the date of the event (e.g 12 July) and your **family name**.

## Visit to the Australian Botanic Garden and PlantBank, Mt Annan

THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Wear sensible shoes . the tour of PlantBank takes 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours

- 8.15 Board bus in Angas Street Ainslie. (Earlier pickup in Queanbeyan available). Free PARKING is in Angas Street, on the treed area adjacent to the Ainslie Football Oval, opposite and just around the corner from the Ainslie Football Club (7.30am . Also possible to board bus at the Deane Bus Depot, 55 Lorne Road, Queanbeyan)
- 8.30 Coach leaves Canberra
- 11.00 Arrive Australian Botanic Garden Mt Annan for morning tea etc on the Lakeside Lawn. Morning tea will be provided (but if you prefer a special brew bring your own thermos)
- 11.45 Volunteer guide joins us on the coach for a one-hour tour of the huge garden
- 12.45 Lunch in Melaleuca House adjacent to the Visitors Centre (provided)
- 1.30 To PlantBank. Either walk (550 metres) OR travel in the coach (4 ½ km!)
- 1.45 Tour of PlantBank (may be two groups, with a staggered start). One and a half hours, covering both the amazing building, and the interior including the working areas
- 3.25 Coach back to Visitor Centre. Then an opportunity for afternoon tea (own cost) at Melaleuca House, a walk in the wonderful Connections Gardens, and a visit to the Visitor Centre (and possibly the adjacent Nursery, with plants for sale)
- 4.15 Coach leaves Mt Annan
- 6.45 Arrives Canberra (Ainslie). Later drop off at Queanbeyan



Mt Annan PlantBank

## Visit to the Australian Botanic Garden and PlantBank, Mt Annan

THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

## **BOOKING FORM**

#### Costs: Members \$75, Non-Members \$85

Includes coach travel, morning tea, lunch and tours. Afternoon tea at own cost

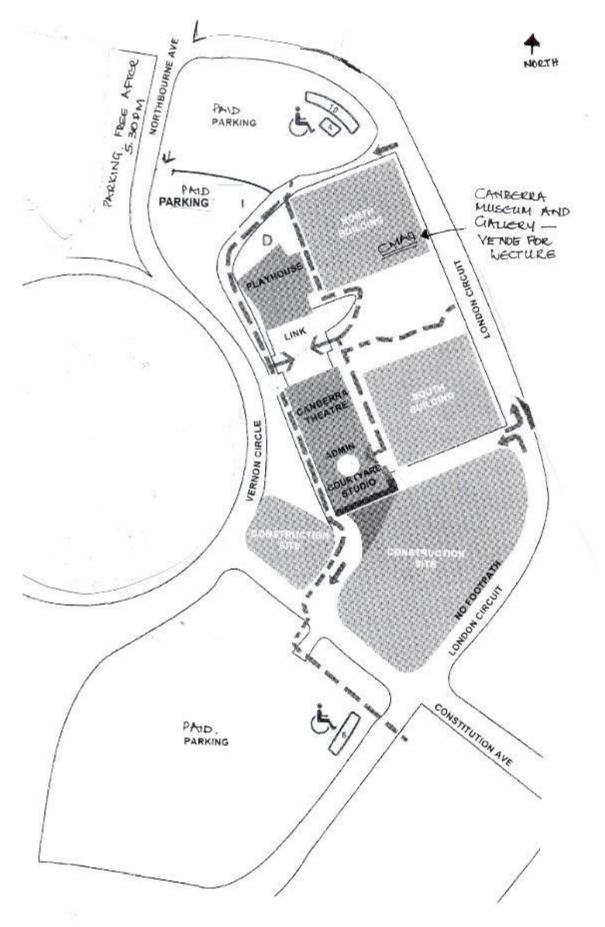
Because we need to make firm bookings **prepayment** is required, and **no refunds** will be possible after Monday 20 August. Bookings may be transferred to another person without penalty

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#### Please return booking form asap to:

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PARKING AT CANBERRA MUSEUM AND GALLERY