

EPSOM HOUSE GARDEN VISIT 333 Brighton Road, Pontville CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT TEA TREE 596 Tea Tree Road, Tea Tree

11 am, Sunday 1 December, 2019



# EPSOM HOUSE AND GARDEN, 333 Brighton Road, Pontville

11 am Meet in the ballroom of this beautiful Georgian house for a talk about the history of the house and its garden. Epsom House was built c 1829 and is one of Australia's hundred oldest houses. With its first floor ballroom Epsom House was the social hub of Pontville, especially after renovations in 1855 which raised the walls and installed a tented ceiling. The ballroom with its superb acoustics, is now used for fine music concerts.

Enjoy a glass of sparkling wine and canapes in the garden and afterwards, explore the garden's two acres.

Owners Geoffrey and Jacqui Robertson have designed and planted the gardens as a series of spaces with the more formal near the house leading into informal spaces further from the house. There are some old trees: elms, cypress, cedar and eucalypts. A very old grape vine grows on one wall of the house. A rose garden is next to the house, and a rose covered walk leads to a lawn with lily pond and encircled by espaliered apples. A silver birch avenue, a laburnum arbor, and a wisteria walk lead the visitor further through the garden. A small croquet lawn, an orchard with fruit and nut trees, a potager garden, thyme square and a native area with a natural rockpool, eucalypts, acacias and native grasses are other features.

# TEA TREE COMMUNITY HALL, 596 Tea Tree Road, Tea Tree

1 pm Arrive at this old country hall (recently renovated) where Kim and Prue will be preparing a delicious Christmassy lunch for you. Whole poached salmon, a leg of ham, a vegetarian dish, various salads, and deliciously decadent desserts. Wine, beer and soft drinks (Ann's homemade lemon cordial) are included. And Jennifer is compiling the annual AGHS quiz.

(Gluten free, dairy free and vegetarian options will be available, please let us know when booking.)

## 2019 CHRISTMAS GARDEN VISIT AND LUNCH

#### COST

\$65 members, \$75 non-members (this includes wine and canapes at Epsom House and lunch with wine at Tea Tree)

#### **BOOKINGS CLOSE MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2019**

Please note that places are limited and that for catering purposes, we cannot accept late bookings.

### PAYMENT BY DIRECT CREDIT: EITHER EFT OR AT A MY STATE BRANCH

Account name: AGHS TAS. Branch. BSB 807009. Account No: 51303045

As reference, use code XMAS and your surname with payment and email Prue Slatyer, <u>prueslatyer@gmail.com</u> to advise of your payment, names of those attending and any dietary requirements.

#### PAYMENT BY CHEQUE

Make cheques to AGHS TAS BRANCH. Please post your cheque and booking form to: Prue Slatyer, PO Box 2164, Lower Sandy Bay, TAS 7005

### **BOOKING FORM**

First name	Surname	. Member (Y/N)
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Dietary requirements? (please circle)

Gluten free

Dairy free

Vegetarian

#### ENQUIRIES

Contact Prue Slatyer, prueslatyer@gmail.com