

# NEWSLETTER

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## NOVEMBER MEETING

Our November 23rd meeting is our last one for 2022. More like a normal meeting this year, with our competition tables but no speaker. Our luncheon is early next month.

Not a night for sitting, some fun in guessing plants names, use your gardening knowledge! A selection of plants/flowers will be placed on the tables for you to have some fun.

Members please bring a plate of food to share, place on the main table.

Xmas food item ie. chocolates, nuts, shortbread to go into the hampers that are usually raffled off at our Xmas meeting.

### FREE LUNCHEON!!

End of year luncheon will be held on Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup>. A big thank you to all our financial members who have supported the Club over the last couple of difficult years. The best part it's all free of cost to our members!!! Arrive at 12 noon to sign in and make your way to the tables upstairs.



Location is the Reservoir RSL, 251 Spring St, Reservoir. Public transport, both Train/Bus is very close by.

Take the stairs or lift to the restaurant on the 1st floor. Where long tables will be setup for our group. It will be a 2 course meal, main meal and dessert. . You will need to choose your main meal when booking with us.

### Mains

- 1/ Roast of the day.
- 2/ Fish and Chips.
- 3/ Chicken Schnitzel with chips.
- 4/ Parma with chips.
- 5/ Vegetarian Eggplant Parma.

### Dessert

- 1/ Rice Pudding.
- 2/ Fruit Salad.
- 3/ Ice-cream Sundae.
- 4/ Chocolate Mousse.

You will need to pay for your own drinks and tea/coffee can be bought from the bar at the other end of the room.

Plenty of free parking in Reservoir station car park directly opposite,

enter from either High or Spring Streets. There is a pedestrian crossing to the left and right of the car park, safe crossing the road!

If you wish to bring your partner or friend they will need to pay for their own meals on the day. But we need to know so we can save a seat for them.

### Booking

Confirm your attendance by the November 23rd meeting night. By email or phone 0419 478 340, or tell Bill at the meeting. Please advise of any allergy or dietary restrictions.

### FERNY CREEK 23/10/2022

After missing the last two bus trips to Ferny Creek Horticultural Society Show I finally grabbed a friend and headed for the hills. We enjoyed the guided tour of the 10 acre (4 hectares) garden that was excised to the Society by the Crown Lands Department in 1956 and 1967.



The old section of the garden, that adjoins the Sherbrooke Forest,

includes many deciduous specimens and the azaleas and rhododendrons were in full flower while the new front section includes mainly natives. A great selection of plants for sale at very reasonable prices included many unusual and rare plants. We quickly filled a cardboard box. Next was a trip inside to view the wonderful show of flowers produced by members and time to examine the various prizes awarded. We followed this with a delightful Devonshire tea and then spent the last of our money on a bargain bunch of Waratahs grown in the garden.



**RHODODENDRON GARDEN**

Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden (Formerly, The National Rhododendron Garden)

Helen Salisbury

**COMPETITION TABLE**

At the October meeting, there was some good exhibits on the monthly competition tables. Cutflowers, specimen bloom, pot plants and vegetables. Maybe some competition happening in 2013? A few photos from last meeting.



The Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden is Victoria's premier cool-climate garden. The garden features important collections of Rhododendrons, Azaleas, Camellias and more, in a setting of native and exotic trees.



Azalea Bowl

Set on 42 hectares (100 acres) in the Dandenong Ranges east of Melbourne near the village of Olinda. Established by the Australian Rhododendron Society in 1960, with the aim to display and share knowledge of Rhododendrons. Parks Victoria officially took over the management of the gardens in 1995.



Rhododendron 'Earl of Athlone'



Rhododendron 'Leonardslee Giles'



Rhododendron 'Flora Fete'



Davidia involucrate (Dove Tree)

Want to see more? Watch the 25 minute Youtube video, walk around the gardens.

<https://youtu.be/-TRZTLd0sIo>

## WORLD ROSE CONVENTION

Every three years the World Federation of Rose Societies holds the World Rose Convention which brings together rose enthusiasts and experts from around the world with garden visits and expert lectures. The last one was held in 2018 in Copenhagen. In 2021 Adelaide was to hold the 19th World Rose Convention, however it was postponed due to the COVID 19 pandemic due to restrictions on both and international travel.

This event was finally held in the beautiful City of Adelaide from 27 October 2022 to 3 November 2022. This Convention also staged a large-scale public exhibition. There was an indoor rose exhibition incorporating Australian Rose Championships together with floral display.

A photo competition was held as part of the Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo 2022 and the 2022 World Rose Convention. Participants were able to submit their rose photographs under any of the five classes. Class 1: A photo of any rose. Class 2: A floral arrangement where roses predominate. Class 3: A photograph of any rose garden where roses dominate the photograph. Class 4: A single stem displaying a bloom of a hybrid tea, grandiflora, miniature, miniflora or a single rose (eight or less petals). Class 5: A cut displaying a cluster of a floribunda, shrub or polyantha. The first three classes did not require the name of the rose and cultivar, however it was a requirement for Class 4 and 5.

I participated in this photo competition and my photograph of "Jubilee Celebration" bred by David Austin which is a shrub rose received third place in Class 5. This is the first time I am participating in a photo competition and that too of this

calibre and I was pleased with the results. Jubilee Celebration is a large English shrub rose that produces large domed coral-pink blooms with hints of gold in its petals which glints in sunlight. It's a beautiful rose which was named in commemoration of the Queen's Golden Jubilee.



"Jubilee Celebration"

The next World Rose Convention will be held in 2025 in Fukuyama, Japan. I am looking forward to participating in the photo competition at this Convention and will be snapping more photos in the mean time in preparation of this competition.

Indra Ashokkumar

## SAUSAGE ROLLS

Prep: 20 Minutes - Cook: 35 Minutes - Easy - Serves 16

Ingredients

- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 brown onion, finely chopped
- ½ cup firmly packed grated carrot
- 500g sausage mince
- 250g beef mince
- ½ cup panko (Japanese-style) breadcrumbs
- 1 Tbsp korma curry paste
- 2 Tbsp tomato sauce
- 1 tsp sea-salt flakes
- ½ tsp finely ground black pepper

- 4 sheets frozen puff pastry, partially thawed, halved lengthways
- Extra 2 Tbsp panko breadcrumbs
- 1 egg, beaten
- 2 tsp sesame seeds
- Extra tomato sauce, to serve



#### Method

Line 2 oven trays with baking paper. Heat oil in a large frying pan over a medium heat. Add onion and carrot and cook, stirring occasionally, for 5 minutes or until onion is soft.

Using a wooden spoon, combine minces in a large bowl. Stir in breadcrumbs, curry paste, tomato sauce, salt, pepper, and onion and carrot mixture until combined.

Put pastry on a clean surface and scatter over extra breadcrumbs. Put ½ cup mince mixture in a large zip lock bag and snip 1 corner. Pipe mince mixture down 1 long edge of 1 pastry rectangle.

Brush opposite long edge with egg. Roll up firmly to enclose filling. Repeat with remaining mince mixture, pastry and egg, reserving a little egg. Put sausage rolls on prepared trays and freeze for 30 minutes.

Preheat oven to 200°C. Brush sausage rolls with reserved egg, then scatter over sesame seeds. Cut each roll in half.

Bake sausage rolls for 25-30 minutes or until golden and cooked through. Set aside for 10 minutes. Serve with extra sauce on the side.

#### John (Jack) Edwin REDMAN

11.05.1925 - 01.10.2022

We heard of the passing of a former member of our club after a short illness, Jack Redman, on 1st October. Jack and his wife Grace both joined in 1994. Jack was a

hands on person, always helping to setup for our garden shows. Every year when we had a display at Mayor's day at Edwards Lake Park, Jack would be there early to help us setup our display. Jack's plant interest was growing Cacti.



Jack on his 97th Birthday

At 97½ Jack was still very active, walking to the local shops. Grace passed away in 2014. Father of Pam, Michael, Margaret and Linda, Grandfather of Twelve, Great grandfather of Fourteen. A memorial service for Jack was held last month as there was no body to bury. Jack was always into recycling; his body will be donated to medical science.

#### MEMBERS NEWS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

**November:** Helen Salisbury and Norma Thomas.

We wish you all a wonderful celebration.

#### NEW MEMBERS

We welcome a couple of new members over the last two months. Indra and Robyn from Preston, Peter from Lalor and Greg.

#### FIND THE WORD

Well, how did you go with finding the word in the last newsletter? The word is –

#### **STARCH**

The word this month has 6 letters. What could it be?

Look at the four pictures for the clue. Answer next newsletter.



#### MONTHLY COMPETITION

**November 23rd:** Three Flowers shown separately.

December, no meeting

#### MONTHLY MEETING

**November 23rd:** Present Monthly Competition Awards. Guest the name of the Flowers/Plants.

December, no meeting, see you January 2023!