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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Preston Garden Club Inc. will be held at 8.00pm, on July 26th, 2023, in Preston Shire Hall, corner of High & Gower Streets, Preston.

The Business of the Annual General Meeting will be:

To confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting

To receive the report of the Committee and the statement of Accounts for the year, 30th June, preceding.

To set the fees for the ensuing year.

Election of Committee.

***Financial members at each Annual General Meeting shall elect a President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and five members to form a Committee of Management for the Club.

**Every candidate for office shall be nominated and seconded by financial members of the Club, and such nominations shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Club at least seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

To transact any business requested in writing and received by the

Secretary at or before the July Committee Meeting, to be held on July 19th.

N.B. All members who have paid their 2022 – 2023 membership subscriptions are financial at the Annual General Meeting, and are entitled to nominate and to vote on any matter. Each member shall be entitled to appoint another member as proxy, provided that notice is given to the Secretary 24 hours before the meeting for which the proxy is appointed. Notice of proxy shall be given on the enclosed form.

***Please consider standing for a position on committee to help run your club. Nomination forms are included with this newsletter.

***Your attendance is needed at the Annual General Meeting in order to make a quorum to deal with the necessary items required of us by the rules of incorporation.



GARDEN GALA



The Gala was held on 22/4 and it was a huge success. 2 stallholders had to pull out due to sickness but the vacant stalls were quickly filled by others. The morning was very busy and most stalls reported good sales and interest.

Wayne's display stall looked great with members contributions and he spoke to lots of potential new members.

The seedlings donated by Scotsburn were really good healthy specimens and sale of these and members plants raised \$361.70. A big thank you goes to Kay Wawn for picking up the seedlings from BAAG.

Thanks also to the members who manned the stalls and generously stayed the whole day instead of just their volunteered hours. One member could not get the working members to stop and couldn't fulfil her shift. Members were enjoying themselves and just wanted to stay on. Kathy and Barbara Lee spent all day on the raffle table and were

rewarded by winning good raffle prizes. The raffle raised \$395.

We gained 10 new members from the event so hopefully we will all get to meet them and make them feel welcome in the coming months.

Thanks to all members who participated and helped to make the day a success.

List of Sponsors who donated raffle prizes

Nelson Alexander

Bunnings

Richgro Products

Bulleen Art & Garden

Mini Maestro

Edible Eden Design - Pascoe Vale

Northcote Nursery

Spotters Sunglasses

Warrigal Orchid Club - Andrew

In addition

Scotsburn Nursery

Uniting Church

Nelson Alexander

Helen Salibury



\$250 POWER BONUS

The Victorian Government has announced a new round of its \$250 Power Saving Bonus. Applications opened on 24 March and will remain until 31 August 2023.

The Power Saving Bonus is available to all Victorian households – no concession card needed!

To claim the bonus — a once-off payment per round — visit the Victorian Energy Compare website. You will need a recent electricity bill that names you as an account holder. The \$250 payment is made directly into your nominated bank account and can be used however you wish. The Bonus is limited to one payment for each eligible household.

If you need help to apply, try a friend or family member – If someone you know has a computer with the internet, ask if you can use it to visit “Victorian Energy Compare” website.



FAIRY BREAD JELLY SLICE



INGREDIENTS:

2 x 165g packets white chocolate Tim Tams.
1/3 cup desiccated coconut.
100g butter, melted, cooled.
395g can sweetened condensed milk.
1/2 cup lemon juice.
2 tsp gelatine powder.
2/3 cup boiling water.
1/4 cup bright sprinkles, plus extra, to decorate.

Jelly topping

85g packet Aeroplane Jelly
Creaming Soda.
1 cup boiling water.
1/2 cup cold water.

Step 1

Grease an 18cm x 28cm slice pan. Line base and sides with baking paper, extending paper 2cm above edges of pan.

Step 2

Place biscuits and coconut in a food processor. Process until fine crumbs. Add butter. Process until combined. Press mixture evenly over base of prepared pan. Refrigerate for 10 minutes.

Step 3

Whisk condensed milk and lemon juice together in a bowl. Sprinkle gelatine over boiling water. Whisk with a fork to dissolve. Stand for 2 minutes. Gradually whisk into milk mixture until combined. Stand for

3 to 4 minutes to cool. Fold in sprinkles. Pour over prepared base. Refrigerate for 2 hours or until set.

Step 4

Meanwhile, place jelly crystals into a heatproof jug. Add boiling water. Stir until crystals have dissolved. Stir in cold water. Set aside for 1 hour to cool to room temperature.

Step 5

Gently pour jelly over slice. Refrigerate for at least 3 hours or until set.

Step 6

Carefully remove slice from pan and cut into pieces. Decorate with extra sprinkles. Serve.

NEW MEMBER

We welcome 10 new members who joined our Club on the Gala day last month. Doug - Alphington, Anil and wife, Heather, James, Nicola - Preston, Mia Northcote, Kim, Soula - Reservoir.

MEMBERS NEWS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

May: Jack Edgar, Geoff May, Sharon Pollard, Jean Thomas and Peter Vasilevski.

We wish you all a wonderful celebration.

FIND THE WORD

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

BUBBLE

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

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



MONTHLY COMPETITION

May 24th: Bowl of Floating Flowers. No More Than 6 Blooms.

June 28th: One Pot/Container Fern.

MONTHLY MEETING

May 24th: DIVRS (Darebin Information, Volunteer & Resource Service).

June 28th: To be announced.

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ANNUAL ELECTIONS

NOMINATION FORM

RULE 14.4

Every candidate for office shall be nominated and seconded by financial members of the Club, and such nomination must be lodged with the Secretary of the Club at least seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

I hereby nominate _____ to serve on the Preston Garden Club Inc.
COMMITTEE

*** If you wish to further nominate your candidate for one of the following executive positions, place a cross in the appropriate square.

PRESIDENT

VICE PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER

Proposed by _____ Seconded by _____

I accept the above nomination _____
(Candidates signature)

Date _____

Secretary _____

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ANNUAL ELECTIONS

PROXY FORM

RULE 13.5

Each member shall be entitled to appoint another member as proxy, provided that notice is given to the Secretary 24 hours before the meeting for which the proxy is appointed. Notice of proxy shall be given on the appropriate form.

I/We....., being a financial member/s of Preston Garden Club Inc., hereby appoint.....as my/our proxy, to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the Annual General Meeting to be held on the 26th July 2023.

.....
Signature of member

Date.....

I, the said.....hereby consent to the within proxy appointment