

THE MANDURAH
GARDEN CLUB INC.



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CLUB PRESIDENT



I hope everyone who attended the meeting in August, thoroughly enjoyed our 45th Anniversary celebration.

I would like to sincerely thank the Committee for all their effort, putting the day together - **Michelle and Nola** for the shopping and preparation of the afternoon tea, **Margaret and Helen** for shopping for decorations and ancillaries for the day, **Sheryl-Lee** for the screen presentation as well as coordinating it all, **Maxine and Barbara** for manhandling the flags, and to everyone for their input and ideas for the day. Thanks also to **Meg** for juggling the dollars at the door & **Pat** as well, who grew and planted up the Marigolds for the tables. Many thanks to **Cynthia** for her presentation on the beginnings of the Mandurah Garden Club. It was good to see Life Members Don and Coral Beard attend, as they really did have a huge input into the club over the years.

Sue Lansdown

Flowers are restful to look at, they have no emotions or conflicts. (Sigmund Freud)

NEWS FROM THE GARDEN



I purchased a beautiful “**Buttons & Bows**” **Camelia** from John **Coles Nursery** in August.

I thought I'd share this advice from the experts:

DO NOT USE ‘SEASOL’ on your Camelias - guaranteed to lose them!!

All they use is ‘TRIFORTE’.



Combine 500ml water, 2 crushed garlic cloves, 1 pinch Cinnamon & let stand 30 minutes

Strain into a spray bottle.

*It works because
Garlic repels pests &
Fungi.
Cinnamon heals
plant wounds.*

GARDENING PROGRAMMES ON TV, RADIO & PRINT



ABC IView:

Gardening Australia:

Series 36 Episode 21: Growing Irises.

CLICK ON THE LINKS:

<https://iview.abc.net.au/show/gardening-australia/series/36/video/RF2405V021S00>

**Series 36 Episode 19: Ferns plus
Plant Artistry & Elixirs**

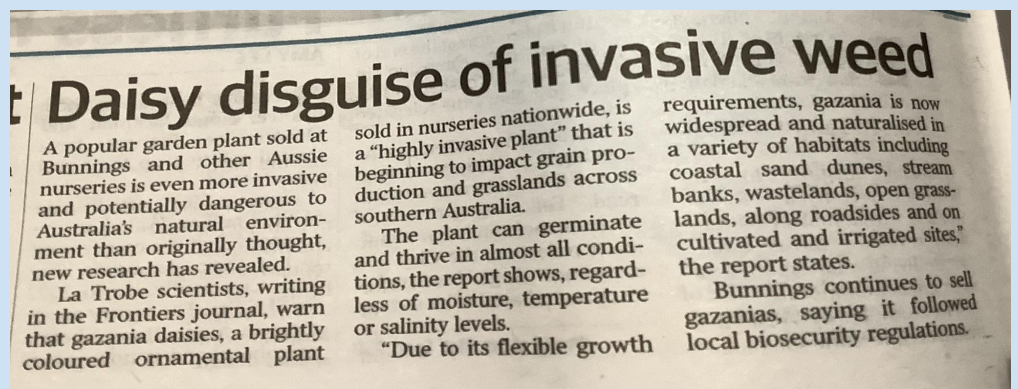
<https://iview.abc.net.au/video/RF2405V019S00>

PODCASTS:

- Ligaya Garden Oddcast
- Hobby Hydro & Home Brew

BOOKS: “The Well Gardened Mind” by Sue Stuart-Smith. A beautiful book about rediscovering nature in the modern world

Available to borrow from the Falcon Library



A GREAT RECIPE

Peanut Brittle Slice

Recipe from Chris Hardie

Base

125gr. Butter & ¼ Cup Sugar
Egg (1)

1 Cup Plain Flour

¼ Cup S.R Flour & ½ tsp. Salt

2 Tablespoons Custard Powder.

Topping

½ Cup Brown Sugar

1 Tablespoon Golden Syrup

90 gr. Butter & 1 ½ Cups Salted Peanuts
roughly chopped.

Method: Cream butter & sugar until fluffy, beat in egg, then stir in dry ingredients. Press dough into a 18 x 28 cm tin lined with baking paper, then bake in a 170 oven for 15 minutes or until just lightly browned, remove from oven.

Topping: Place brown sugar, golden syrup and butter in a saucepan, stir over a low heat until the sugar has dissolved, simmer for a few minutes (this can be done in the microwave if you choose). Stir in peanuts.

Spread the topping mixture over the base and return to the oven for about 10 minutes, when you see the topping bubble, remove from the oven, even though the topping is still runny. The topping will set when it cools. Slice with a sharp knife when cool.



A GOOD JOKE

Lawyers should never ask a Georgia Grandma a question if they aren't prepared for the answer.

In a recent trial, a small-town attorney called his first witness, a grandmotherly, elderly woman to the stand. He approached her & asked, "Mrs Jones, do you know me?" She responded, "Why, yes I do know you, Mr. Williams. I've spoken to you since you were a boy, & frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife & you manipulate people & talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a big shot when you haven't the brains to realise you'll never amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you."

The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room & asked, "Mrs Jones, do you know the defense attorney?"

She again replied, "Why yes, I do. I've known him since he was a youngster too. He's lazy, bigoted & he has a drinking problem, not to mention he cheated on his wife 3 times, one of which was your wife."

The judge asked both counselors to approach the bench & in a very quiet voice said.

"If either of you idiots ask her if she knows me, I'll send you both to the electric chair!"



45TH ANNIVERSARY - 13TH AUGUST 2025



**Life Members
Don & Coral Beard**



**Life Member Maxine
Shorthouse**



**Cynthia Mahoney
Founding Member**



**Always a
hilarious
joke
delivered by
Life Member
Helen
Pecnik**

**CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW TO SEE THE CLUB
FEATURED IN THE "PERTH NOW" PAPER**

https://www.perthnow.com.au/wa/mandurah/mandurah-garden-club-celebrates-45th-anniversary-c-19606036?utm_campaign=share-icons&utm_source=email&utm_medium=email&tid=1755044041409



3 GARDENS AND A NURSERY

- Arrive by 7.50 am
- Bus leaves at 8.15 - back by 4 pm
- Bring your own food & drink (i.e. morning tea & lunch).

**WEDNESDAY 15TH
OCTOBER**

**PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT IS BY CARD AT
THE SEPTEMBER MEETING or BY DIRECT DEPOSIT**

**BSB: 036-157 ACCOUNT: 208 453
(Reference your Name & Bus Trip)**

***CASH PAYMENTS MUST BE IN AN ENVELOPE, MARKED WITH
YOUR NAME/BUS TRIP & EXACT CHANGE***

**\$30 Members \$35 Non-Members
(SORRY NO REFUNDS)**

NOTHING TO DO WITH GARDENING, BUT I THOUGHT THIS WAS FUNNY

(Sunday Times - August 10, 2025)

Why we're at risk of normalising nonsense!!

We live in an age where communication has never been more immediate, yet the ability to understand important messages keeps slipping through our fingers. Ask a straightforward question and instead of a simple answer, we often get a dazzling display of verbal acrobatics.

It's more about trying to sound impressive without ever actually saying anything at all.

Take the executive who announces: a *“realignment of workforce priorities to enable operational optimisation”*.

IT'S A GLOSSY WAY OF SAYING THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING THE SACK!!

OR The manager who blames a missed deadline on *“unforeseen resourcing recalibrations within a dynamic delivery environment”*.

TRANSLATION: **“WE DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH STAFF & RAN OUT OF TIME!!”**

OR the Recruiter advertising for someone *“comfortable with ambiguity in a high-growth environment”*.

IT IS A SPIN FOR: **“WE ARE DISORGANISED & HAVE NO IDEA WHAT WE WANT”**

Consider the company that calls a pay freeze a *“temporary pause in remuneration progression, pending fiscal consolidation.”*

PUT SIMPLY **“NO ONE IS GETTING A RAISE THIS YEAR!”**



Lyn Glossop
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NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2025

GUEST SPEAKER

TANIA LEE
Mandurah Floral Arts Group



Venue is - Mandurah RSL Club
Unit 5/20-22 Rouse Rd, Greenfields - Opposite Gilberts
To facilitate setting up by the Committee, **doors will not open until 1.30 pm**

Meetings are 1.30pm for a 2pm start
As parking is in short supply, please park
across the road.



PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CUP
FOR AFTERNOON TEA!

COMING UP..

- 31 August to 21st September: Chittering Spring Festival
13 September: Floriade - Canberra
12-29 September: Kings Park Everlasting Festival
13 September: *Symphony among The Tulips - Araluen Botanic Park*
13-14 September: Perth Orchid Fair - John Septimus Roe School
20-24 September: Esperance Wildflower Festival
20-21 September: Garden Clubs & Societies Plant Fair
24-27 September: Albany Wildflower Show
27 September: Great Southern Bloom Festival
4-5 October: Rose Society of WA Spring Show
4-5 October: WA Gerbera Society State Championships

BUS TRIP - WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER



FUTURE GUEST SPEAKERS

OCTOBER

**Robyn Foreshore
Volunteer Guide
For Kings Park**



NOVEMBER



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