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Membership 2026/27 is due & can be paid at the June meeting by Cash or Card- Refer Page 6 for direct deposit details if more convenient. \$25 Single & \$35 Double.

CLUB PRESIDENT



Hello Garden People

*It was really good to see so many at the last meeting, even though we had a few hiccups at the beginning (double booked venue) - all worked out. We welcomed **Faye Arcaro** and her friend April and enjoyed a lovely presentation on "**Companion Plants, Good Guys and Enemies**". Faye has asked me to extend her thanks for making them feel so welcome. It was also pleasing to see a few members at the meeting who have not been well or unable to attend for one reason or another. A **Bus Trip** is in the planning - more about that at the next meeting.*

*We also acknowledge, **Stan Richards 99th birthday** - hope it was grand Stan, and also **Meg Geyer who recently turned 90.***

Be happy, be kind, keep well.

Sue Lansdown

"Keep your face always toward the sunshine, and shadows will fall behind you."

NEWS FROM THE GARDEN

PEELY GREAT TIP

(Excerpt from a reader's correspondence to Sabrina Hahn in Saturday's West Australian 16th May, 2026)

A **Breynia Hedge** was attacked so badly by aphids she nearly lost them.

This method worked for them: **Fresh Banana Peels**, cut up into small pieces, sprinkled over the top of plants, so some pieces lodge in foliage. The rest fall through and rot into the soil. **NO MORE APHIDS.**

BLACK SPOTS FORMING ON SWEET POTATO PLANTS.

Are they safe to eat?

A few black spots are nothing to worry about. The surface of many root vegetables, including sweet potatoes, have what are called lenticels on them - small openings that let oxygen & water in & out of the tuber. Bacteria sometimes get in, too and the plant fights it off by turning the surface a black colour. Cut around these & the rest of the tuber is fine to eat. If it spreads & the potato deforms & looks crinkly, throw it out.

GARDENING PROGRAMMES ON TV, RADIO & PRINT



ABC TV & IVIEW:

GARDENING AUSTRALIA:

Series 37 Episode 10:

"Naroo" One of Australia's most Celebrated Gardens.

PLUS

"Successful Cacti Growing."

CLICK ON THE LINKS BELOW NETFLIX:

"This is a Gardening Show"

<https://www.netflix.com/tudum/videos/this-is-a-gardening-show-trailer>

7PLUS:

BETTER HOMES & GARDENS:

Series 32 Episode 5

"Planting a Cactus Garden in a Broken Pot"

YOUTUBE:

GREEN FINGERED CITY BOY:

"How to stop slugs eating plants by using 'NEMATODES', COPPER & SLATE."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HEdV6KhTilw>

A GREAT RECIPE

Apple Slice

(Recipe from Chris Hardie)

- 1 Cup S.R Flour
- 125gr. Melted Butter
- 1 Cup Peeled and Chopped Apple
- 1 Cup coconut
- 1 Cup Sugar
- 1 Cup Walnuts
- 1 Egg lightly beaten

Method:

- Mix all ingredients together, & press into greased lamington tin.
- Bake in 180 degrees oven until golden brown, approx. 25 minutes.
- When cool ice with lemon icing.

Gluten Free version: 1 ½ cups GF S.R. Flour, 1 teaspoon Guar Gum.

TRAVELLING TO THE UK BETWEEN JULY 22 - 26?

The Royal Horticultural Society will be hosting its first show at Sandringham Estate. It will replace the Sandringham Flower Show every 3 years.

DID YOU KNOW?

What does the term "Cultigen" mean?

"A Cultivated variety of plant only found in gardens"



A GOOD JOKE

A FISHY AFFAIR



A man called home to his wife & said: Honey I have been asked to go fishing up in Canada with my boss & several of his friends.

We'll be gone for a week. This is a good opportunity for me to get that promotion I've been wanting, so could you please pack enough clothes for a week and set out my rod & tackle box. We're leaving from the office & I will swing by the house to pick my things up." "Oh & please pack my new blue silk pajamas."

The wife thinks this sounds a bit fishy, but being the good wife she is, did exactly as her husband asked.

The following weekend, he came home a little tired, but otherwise looking good.

The wife welcomed him home & asked if he caught many fish? He said, "Yes! Lots of Salmon, some Bluegill & a few Swordfish. But why didn't you pack my new blue silk pajamas like I asked you To do?"

The wife replied. "I did! They're in your TACKLE BOX.....!!"



Angela Regan - Sue Baker
Shirley Greenaway - Tona Pitt
Dawn Greenwood - Patricia Johnston



**Faye Arcaro Guest
Speaker at the May
2026 Meeting**



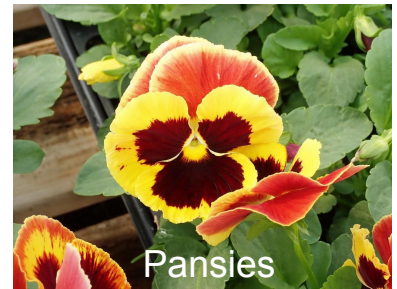
BUS TRIP - 26TH AUGUST

\$35 MEMBERS
\$40 NON-MEMBERS

WINTER COLOUR

Have summer & autumn colour deserted you?
Plant cool-season annuals.

For best results keep colours contained & restrained, with just 1 or 2 pots of look-at-me contrasting colours. Water, fertilise & deadhead regularly.



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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 10th June

GUEST SPEAKER

from

GERANIUM SOCIETY



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..

18	July	Mandurah Districts Orchid Club Winter show - RSL
24,25 & 26	July	Cymbidium Orchid Club State Winter Show - 76 Evandale Rd, Darch
26	August	Bus Trip

**COMMITTEE VACANCIES FOR 2026-2027
YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU**
Please consider nominating before the July
AGM
(refer Secretary for Nomination Forms)

FUTURE GUEST SPEAKERS

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