

CAIRNS GARDEN CLUB Inc

2014 Program



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SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING STRATFORD LIBRARY MEETING ROOM Kamerunga Road, Stratford	GUEST SPEAKERS: Stack-a-Pot Presentation by Carmelina and Al Dredge COMPETITION: A Potted Plant
SATURDAY 15 MARCH 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING STRATFORD LIBRARY MEETING ROOM Kamerunga Road, Stratford	GUEST SPEAKER: Rosalie Shephard "The Evolution of the Cairns Garden" COMPETITION: A Cut Shrub orVine
SATURDAY 12 APRIL 2:00 PM	This meeting was cancelled due to Cyclone Ita	
SUNDAY 4 MAY 8:30 AM	MEMBERS BUS TOUR Visiting Misty Mountains Rainforest Retreat at Bellenden Ker, and Rainforest Bounty at Mungalli with lunch at Mungalli Falls Teahouse.	
SUNDAY 11 May	TROPICAL GARDEN FAIR at Cannon Park Racecourse Sponsored by Rotary	
SATURDAY 17 MAY 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING At the garden of Carolyn and Barry Emslie at 94/96 Windlass Street GOLDSBOROUGH	GUEST SPEAKER: Fred & Betty Howles Wildlife Rescue COMPETITION: 1, A single leaf, small. (up to 25cm) 2. A single leaf, large. (over 25 cm)
SUNDAY 18 MAY 9:30 AM	COMBINED NORTHERN GARDEN CLUBS MEETING TULLY COUNTRY CLUB Hosted by the Tully Garden Club	CAR POOL
SATURDAY/SUNDAY 31 MAY /1 JUNE	AOGS OPEN GARDENS TABU – The garden of Mark Vowles. 24 Maree Street, Freshwater, CAIRNS VICO GARDEN –29 Davidson Street, INGHAM	

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SATURDAY 21 JUNE 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING At the garden of Yvonne and Geoff Leigh at 29 Grey Street MERINGA	GUEST SPEAKER: Les & Debbie Neill – Orchids North COMPETITION: A Cut Flower
MON/TUE/WED 14/15/16 JULY	CAIRNS SHOW We are responsible for the cut flower and cut shrub sections of the Show.	Members are asked to assist with setting up, receiving and recording entries and stewarding.
SATURDAY 26 JULY 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING STRATFORD LIBRARY MEETING ROOM Kamerunga Road, Stratford ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION Please bring a special plant or two for the auction table.	COMPETITION: 1. A Cut Croton 2. A 6"x4" photo taken in Australia "Patterns in Nature"
SATURDAY 16 AUGUST 2:00 PM	AGM & GENERAL MEETING QCWA HALL, Kamerunga Road, FRESHWATER Presentation of reports and election of office bearers followed by the General Meeting	ACTIVITIES: A visit to LIMBERLOST NURSERY where Neil Hughes who will show us around and answer questions. A tour of the gardens and museum at the FRESHWATER STATION. COMPETITION: A Cut Cordyline
SUNDAY 24 AUGUST	Coach tour of winning gardens in the CRC Seniors Garden competition	
SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING The Garden of Joy and Colin Laird at 58-60 Grey Street MERINGA	GUEST SPEAKER: Graeme Byrne will conduct one of his entertaining Q & A sessions COMPETITION: Three distinct items of Produce from the members own garden
SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 8:30 AM	MEMBERS BUS TOUR Details TBA	
SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING The gardens of Averil Cadogan and Shirley Bacon at 9 - 11 Melissa Close CLIFTON BEACH	GUEST SPEAKER: TBA COMPETITION: A single specie of cacti or succulent.

SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER 9:30 AM	COMBINED NORTHERN GARDEN CLUBS MEETING RSL HALL GORDONVALE We are the host Club for this meeting and we will need as many members as possible to assist in making this event a success.	GUEST SPEAKERS: Kim Morris Steve Jackson ACTIVITIES: A Poem by Geoff Mann Club Reports Major Raffles Pick of the Table Raffle Morning Tea, Lunch and Afternoon tea
SATURDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2:00 PM	GENERAL MEETING BELLA VISTA COMMUNITY CENTRE Loridan Drive, Brinsmead Drawing of the CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE Presentation of the Trophy for the MONTHLY COMPETITION WINNER. This is a fun afternoon to celebrate Christmas.	PHOTO SHOW NO RAFFLE OR COMPETITION TODAY
SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER	CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	Venue TBA

MEETINGS:

Our meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month between February and November. During the wetter months of the year we meet at a local hall and then at gardens and places of interest. Please remember to bring a folding chair to meetings (not required at the hall) and an item for the raffle table. This does not need to be a plant; any item you would like to take home yourself would be suitable.

CLUB COMPETITION:

Members are encouraged to participate in the monthly competition - 1 point for each entry with a limit of two entries per member. First place will receive 3 additional points and second, 2 additional points. There will also be an incentive \$10 voucher for the first and second places. Except where the category specifies an "arrangement" the entries must be from the members own garden (three months minimum ownership of purchased plants); pots should be clean and in proportion to the size of the plant; plants should be mature and well grown; if a plant is grown for flowers they should be abundant, if the plant is grown for foliage, flowers should be removed. Leaves should be clean and free from damage and flowers should be fresh. The entries are judged similarly to the standards of the Cairns Show.

REFERENCE LIBRARY:

Financial members may borrow a book of their choice for one month free of charge. The criteria for the books in our library are that they should contain up to date information relevant to gardening in the Tropics. As it is quite impossible to bring all the books to a meeting our Librarian will bring a small selection plus those which have been ordered. Please phone Averil on 4059 0600 to order a book. A current list of books is available at every meeting.