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Chair's Note

Dear Friends

CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU to COLETTE MACKAY OAM



From 2013; Colette Mackay, Robyn Stanhope, Sherry McCardle-English, Jimmy Barnes and Jocelyn Plovits
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Chair's Note continued:

I wish to pay tribute to Colette Mackay OAM, a generously contributing Friend of the Arboretum, long before the Friends became an official body in 2007. She served on the first Friends Council for many years and was also the Manager of the Seat Sponsorship Program. Colette became the Manager of the Harvest and Discovery Garden Group where the produce from the Arboretum's forests and Discovery Kitchen Garden is made into items - preserves, seed packs, plant propagation- all of which are sold and help raise significant funds. Through Colette's and her volunteer team efforts, thousands of dollars are kept in the Friends' Trust Fund until required for approved special beautification projects at our Arboretum.

As the Harvest Team Leader Colette has coordinated and managed the Harvest Market Stalls since 2016. She has also been pivotal in the annual fig harvest and co-ordinating the preserves made by the volunteer cooks. The Harvest Group under Colette's strong leadership is responsible for the initiation and management of the Friends Wollemi Pine Propagation Project.

You may have heard Colette on the radio spruiking the Wollemis (and other items available at the Market Stalls) as these are the endangered iconic Australian conifers which have been propagated from the Arboretum's own forest and will help preserve the species. If you would like to own a Wollemi, trees are now available from the Friends new website and will make wonderful and lasting Christmas trees for your families.

Colette, we all wish you well in your retirement and sincerely appreciate every ounce of energy you have given so willingly to the Friends of the National Arboretum Canberra over such a lengthy period of time.

Update on the Friends' Arboretum History Project

The Friends of the National Arboretum Canberra have had an extremely busy but productive year with 99 per cent of our projects either completed or underway. Back in October 2020 it was mooted that a history of the Arboretum should be written. Now in December 2022 this project is on track to be completed by Christmas.

As I write, SRH (engaged by the Friends Council for this project), is busy finalising our history by using narrative from unscripted interviews with key people who led the establishment of the Arboretum. We are so looking forward to see the skilful way they have gone about weaving the various voices to capture our story. We thank them very much for their expertise and eagerly anticipate the completed product which will be launched on 10 February at the Arboretum's 2023 celebrations to mark the 10th anniversary of being open to the public. Note the date in your diary now!

I would like to thank my colleague and friend, Phil Morrall AM CSC who inspired us to undertake this history project. He was right... having a PLAN was the strategy that worked.

I offer my special thanks to all my dedicated Council members who have worked so tirelessly on your behalf this year. We have achieved much as you know.

Thanks also to Scott and his whole team. We, the Friends and the Arboretum, are a great

team! We really appreciate all their assistance and support for our projects, including this History Project.

Friends New Website

Another achievement in 2022 has been the move to a new website platform to support the Friends. Check it out if you have not already done so:

<https://friendsarboretumcanberra.org.au/>

And if you are still looking for Christmas gifts, it's a great place to start. Don't miss out on your Friends calendar this year! You can buy them at The Curatoreum or online at the Friends shop on the new website:

<https://friendsarboretumcanberra.org.au/shop>

If you have extra reading time over the festive period, and would like to find out more about what's happening in other like-minded places, I can highly recommend perusing the UK Friends of the Botanic Gardens Forum Newsletter. FBGF have 20 institutional members from (around the UK) including Edinburgh.

<https://fbgf890441273.files.wordpress.com/2022/11/newsletter-autumn-2022.pdf> The Edinburgh Botanic Gardens are a centre of excellence in plant science, conservation, horticulture and education, and it through this connection I came across the FBGF Newsletter.

https://www.rbge.org.uk/?gclid=CjwKCAiAhKycBhAQEiwAgf19evah-fi8xq_X-gjhuGiRfo2R5oOuwMo5BynessZcl3BAbcWwypy74xoCXIIQAvD_BwE

Best wishes to you and your families for the festive season!
And see you at our Arboretum!

Regards Trish
Trish Keller OAM
Chair, Friends of the National Arboretum



Warm Trees 2023 and the Clanwilliam Cypress

The Friends' annual craft installation, Warm Trees, will again take place next July. Our partner will be the South African High Commission. The Arboretum currently has two forests of trees that are native to South Africa, the Clanwilliam cypress in Forest 103 and the Huilboerboon or Weeping boer-bean in Forest 28. Jan Morgan, the convener of Warm Trees 2023, has provided some information about the Clanwilliam cypress, and will cover the Huilboerboon in a future newsletter.



This is a little story about the naming of trees. Common names can be confusing, so the botanists have developed a system of giving unique names to different species, using a

pattern developed by Linnaeus of a genus plus a specific epithet. In 2013 when the Arboretum opened, this tree, with common names including the Clanwilliam cedar or the Clanwilliam cypress, had the scientific name of *Widdringtonia cedarbergensis*. So how was this name derived?

The *Widdringtonia* genus was named in 1842 by an Austrian botanist, Stephan Endlicher, in honour of an English naval commander, Samuel Cook. When Cook was 37 he retired from the navy and went off to Spain to study conifers. And when he was 53 his mother died and he took her maiden name, Widdrington.



The specific epithet, *cedarbergensis* was given by a South African botanist, Judy Marsh, in 1966, and refers to the only place where they are found in the wild – the Cederberg Mountains, about 250 km north of Cape Town.

However, in 2014, I discovered its name had been changed and the name *Widdringtonia cedarbergensis* was classified as ‘illegitimate’. The name is now *Widdringtonia wallichii*. That name was given by a French botanist, Èlie-Abel Carrière in 1867, 99 years before Judy Marsh thought she had discovered a new species. Under the rules of botanical nomenclature, the name given by the first person who publishes the name in a recognised journal, is the one that is accepted.

The new name honours Nathaniel Wallich, who is yet another name changer, having been born Nathan ben Wulff. He was a Danish surgeon who went out to work in the Danish territory just north of Calcutta in 1808. When that territory was seized by the British in 1809 Wallich decided he didn't want to be a prisoner of war, and instead became an Assistant Surgeon in the East India Company.

So, this is a multinational tree. The genus was named by an **Austrian** to honour a name-changing **Englishman** who studied **Spanish** conifers, and the specific epithet was named by a **South African** woman, but had been named earlier by a **Frenchman** to honour a name-changing **Danish** man working in **India**. And the tree is **South African**. And sadly it is now critically endangered in its native habitat. Let's hope that it survives and thrives in Australia.

If you are interested in becoming involved in Warm Trees, please contact Jan Morgan via the Friends email contact@friendsarboretumcanberra.org.au. We are always happy to have more knitters, crocheters, display makers and/or scarf installers and un-installers.

Discovery Kitchen Garden and Harvest Group Update

Discovery Kitchen Garden



The huge strawberries in the garden have benefited from the significant amount of rain this year. Jon Stanhope visited the garden on 2 December and wanted to know the secret to the tall globe artichokes and the large strawberry plants. The answer was good compost, regular Seasol Powerfeed fertiliser and plenty of water. However, all this extra moisture has produced powdery mildew on the sweet peas even though this has not stopped their production of masses of sweetly perfumed flowers. It is wonderful to see visitors smelling the flowers and becoming very nostalgic about when and where they first inhaled ‘that fragrance’.

In October, summer vegetables of tomatoes, eggplants, and chillies were planted along with nasturtiums and French marigolds. The basil planted at the same time has made little progress due to the lack of warm weather. In November, purple basil, Jack Be Little pumpkins, scarlet runner beans, and parsley were planted.

The Warrigal greens are growing profusely as a ‘living mulch’ and it makes a delicious pesto with Macadamia nuts so it is worth growing as a spinach substitute too. Even Bunnings is selling it now attesting to its increasing popularity.

It is difficult to predict what the productivity from the garden will be this year as last year’s yields were quite low. Let us hope there will be enough warm days to ripen all our favourite fruit and vegetables.



Above right: Cynthia and Tralie working in the garden

Harvest Group Market Stalls

The Harvest Group has been incredibly busy holding six Market Stalls this year. The total takings were \$14,214, which includes the sale of two Wollemi Pines. This is a tremendous effort and many thanks to Colette for organising and to the many wonderful volunteers who assisted, (including grandson, Jack).



Market stall September

Market Stalls 2022

Date	Takings
19/3/22	\$2,389
7/5/22	\$3,233
16/7/22	\$3,037
17/9/22	\$2,341
21/10/22	\$1,550
26/11/22	\$3,064
Total	\$14,214



Market stall November

The FNAC Wollemi Pines Propagation Project

To date there have been 40 trees sold, including a very special miniature specimen, to a total value of \$11,955. It is hoped that a few more will sell prior to Christmas. Successful negotiations are underway for Cool Country Natives to trial the purchase of two 300mm Wollemi Pines and to resell them through their nursery under their own Protected Native Species Licence.

Below: Ange McNeilly with the Wollemis

The Tale of the Travelling Wollemi Pines

On 29 July this year, David and his wife were visiting the Arboretum when he received news that his father had passed away. David wanted to buy one of the Wollemi Pines grown by the Friends to plant in memory of his father who used to take schoolchildren on bus excursions to the Arboretum. However, as the couple were flying back to Brisbane, David was informed that a second release of Wollemi Pines would occur in spring so he could purchase one then when things were more settled.

As it happened, Nicola and Andy, a couple who were visiting from Brisbane purchased a Wollemi Pine at the Market Stall on Saturday, 26 November and were going to continue touring before driving home. They were asked if they would be willing to take a Wollemi for David and they kindly agreed. They will reach Brisbane on 6 December when David will collect his much-travelled Wollemi Pine from the Arboretum. Nicola and Andy will take a photo of the Wollemis at every location they stop to visit! What a fantastic good news story!



The Wollemi Pines starting their journey with Nicola and Andy at the Arboretum. Photo Ange McNeilly.



First stop Gundagai!



Photos above: Nicola and Andy.

Chat with Cally

Dear Friends and Volunteers

The National Arboretum recently won Gold in the Canberra and Region 'Tourism Attractions' category. Such an achievement is made possible by the incredible support you give, maintaining our living collections, welcoming our visitors and bringing the

Arboretum to life for visitors through tours, walks and market stalls, scientific monitoring and projects and so many other ways!

Arboretum wins top award at the Canberra and Region Tourism Awards

Canberra's best in tourism were recognised at the 2022 Canberra Region Tourism Awards ceremony held at Parliament House on Friday 25 November 2022. The National Arboretum Canberra was announced as winner for the Category 'Tourist Attractions' for the third year in a row!

"This is a huge achievement for such a young institution, and we are very proud to be receiving the Tourist Attraction award for the 2022 Canberra Region Tourism Awards. We have a small but diverse team that strives for a world class visiting experience. This would not be possible without the support of our stakeholders, volunteers, tourists, and the local community, we thank each and every one of you."

Scott Saddler AM, Executive Branch Manager of the National Arboretum Canberra

Thank you to each and every one of you! And best wishes for the festive season... And enjoy the catch up below on what's been happening at the Arboretum.

Forest Sculpture Gallery



The Forest Sculpture Gallery opened in September this year. It is a world class collection of iconic sculptures set among the trees at the Arboretum. Located within the gardens and forests of the Arboretum, and along its tracks and trails, the Forest Sculpture Gallery is free for public viewing, and showcases works created by some of the world's most significant artists. A new sculpture is set in the Arboretum: Cloak by Jeremy Blincoe and Michael Van Dam in the Himalayan Cedar Forest (see above). To find out more, visit the sculptures at the Arboretum and the dedicated website:

<https://www.forestsculpturegallery.act.gov.au/>

National Arboretum Bonsai book now available

A selection of trees from the National Bonsai & Penjing Collection throughout the seasons of Australia's national capital, in the ultimate bonsai coffee table book which can be purchased through The Curatoreum. See the Gift Guide below from The Curatoreum for more details!

Hope to See you at the End of Year Thank you Event for Friends and Volunteers!

The End-of-year celebration for Volunteers and Friends of the National Arboretum Canberra is being held 6pm to 8pm on **Tuesday 13 December** 2022 at the Village Centre.

The evening will include the presentation of the Jake Keller Scholarship and Volunteer of the Year Award.

Volunteering ACT Awards

The Harvest Group has been nominated in the Volunteer Team category of the Volunteering ACT Awards. Congratulations from the Arboretum to Colette and team for the amazing work that has been achieved. The presentations will be made at the 2022 Canberra Region Volunteer Awards event on Wednesday 7 December at the National Gallery of Australia.

Out and about at the Arboretum

Please remember that we share the Arboretum with the animals that live in the landscape. The warmer weather increases activity for many animals, lizards and snakes. The Horticulture team is busily keeping on top of the quickly growing grass, please keep to formed paths and avoid long grass and areas of poor visibility.

Holidays are fast approaching!

There will be a range of school holiday activities on offer for families and visitors to the Arboretum during the holiday season, including Ngala tours, family orienteering, kite making, Gibanybirra Cultural workshops for children and more. You'll find all the details here: <https://www.nationalarboretum.act.gov.au/visit/whats-on>

Australian Hero Tree Dedication – Rosie Batty AO



On 29 November, Rosie Batty AO, the 2015 Australian of the Year and outspoken crusader against family violence, was recognised by the ACT Government with an Australian Hero Tree Dedication in Central Valley.

Ngunnawal Elder, Aunty Violet Sheridan, offered a very warm Welcome to Country for those gathered for the ceremony. John Mackay AM, Patron of the National Arboretum Canberra, spoke of and acknowledged Rosie's significant achievements and contributions.

The Hoop pine, *Araucaria cunninghamii*, dedicated to Rosie is one of a series of trees that flanks the Central Valley zig zag path. This resilient species can live up to 450 years and grow to 60m high – the perfect Australian tree to represent recipients. After the personal tragedy of the death of her son Luke from family violence in 2014, Rosie has stepped into a leadership role to advocate for victims impacted by family violence and to challenge the victim-blaming narrative.

During her tenure as Australian of the Year in 2015 Rosie made the most of her position of influence by advocating for systemic reform and gender equality.

Rosie was made Deputy Chair and Foundation member of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Advisory Panel on Reducing Violence against Women and in 2016 became the inaugural Chair of the Victim Survivors' Advisory Council for the Victorian Government. Rosie has been inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women and is a recipient of the Pride of Australia National Courage Medal.



She received an Honorary Doctorate from the University of the Sunshine Coast for her contribution to raising national awareness and action concerning family violence, and an Order of Australia in the 2019 Queen's birthday honour's list. Rosie is also a Board Director for the Royal Women's Hospital, Patron of both the Australian Childhood Foundation and Doncare Community Services, and Co-Chair of the White Ribbon Advisory Council.



Friday 25 November was the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. On this day each year, communities across the world begin 16 Days of Activism seeking to inspire action to end violence against women and girls across the world. It is fitting that a tree is dedicated to Rosie Batty AO during this time frame to raise awareness in the role we all play in preventing domestic violence.

What's Coming Up in 2023: Dance the Night Away on 25 February 2023

See out summer in the Amphitheatre at the National Arboretum Canberra and enjoy the sounds of a generation that keeps giving with three of Australia's finest tribute bands.

Join us for *Amplify Tributes at the Arboretum* featuring Neil Diamond, Elton out of the Closet® and BABBA!

Saturday 25 February 2023

Promo code: 10YEARS
Applies to General Admission tickets only

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10%
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Wishing you and your families a wonderful festive season.

Cally Earnshaw
Community Engagement Officer

National Bonsai & Penjing Collection of Australia News

Story from NBPCA team

Visiting Bonsai

Some new bonsai have recently arrived from Victoria... when you next visit the Arboretum, see if you can spot them or ask a guide where to find them.

Centenary Bonsai Prize

The NBPCA offers the Centenary Bonsai Prize every 10 years to celebrate the centenary of Canberra as the nation's capital in 2013. We invite bonsai artists working in Australia to submit photographs of their bonsai, where a prize of \$6,000 will be awarded to the artist who demonstrates the highest artistic and horticultural qualities in bonsai and penjing.

The winning tree will also become part of the National Collection. The winner will receive:

- a cheque for \$6000,
- a plaque, which they can keep for one year before returning it to the NBPCA, and
- a framed certificate of the award to keep.

Key dates:

- Applications close: 1 March 2022
- Judging decisions advised by: 24 March 2023

Artist-in-Residence Program 2023

The National Bonsai & Penjing Collection of Australia invites the Australian bonsai community to apply for their Artist-in-Residence program. Establish personal connections, share your knowledge and learn techniques from the NBPCA artists in an exchange of ideas and mutual learning. The Artist in Residence program is an annual program, with two residencies each year. Entries are open until the end of January for both the autumn and spring 2023 programs so be sure to apply soon!

Key dates:

- Applications close: 31 January 2023
- Judging decisions advised by: 28 February 2023
- The program's first residency dates begin in 2023: Autumn (April 2023) and Spring (October 2023)

Bonsai Pot Acquisition Prize

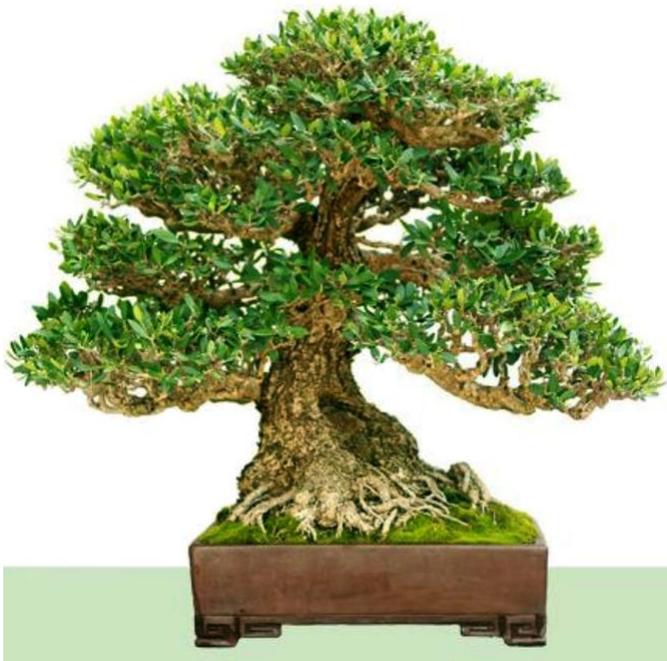
The Bonsai Pot Acquisition Prize is now open. The prize is designed to encourage the appreciation of the art of bonsai pottery and to highlight the beauty and functionality of bonsai pots. Your chance to have your pot on display at the National Bonsai and Penjing Collection of Australia and win a cash prize!

First Prize: \$1000, Second Prize: \$600, Third Prize: \$400.

The Challenge is to create a larger bonsai pot for the European olive (*Olea europaea*), (below) currently in the Collection. The tree dates from 1969 and has been trained as a bonsai since 1989. It was donated by Janet Sabey (South Australia).

Tree dimensions are:

- 60 cm tree height from the top of pot
- 75 cm width
- 60 cm front to back.



More information about these bonsai related activities can be found on the Arboretum website under the heading Living Collections and the subheading, National Bonsai and Penjing Collection of Australia.

Keeping in STEP

While the continuing wet weather is posing some difficulties for the management of STEP, we are adapting and trialling new ideas. Replacement planting of Acacias along the top side of Forest 20 was into soil augmented with coarse sand and gravel. This method has now been extended to replacement planting of *Eucalyptus macrorhyncha* in places where many of this species died due to excess water. In the Central Garden, Block D, we have planted a considerable number of *Bursaria spinosa* alongside *Gynatrix* sp. Their location is under Eucalypts usually found in higher and wetter localities of the Southern Tablelands. David Shorthouse had observed thick growth of these species together at Tidbinbilla and noted the excellent habitat these bushes provided for small birds.

STEP volunteers Bill Handke and Jenny Widdowson joined me in guiding delegates from National Parks Singapore. The visitors were led by Leong Chee Chiew, Executive Director of National Parks Singapore, Ryan Lee, Group Director of the National Biodiversity Centre, Yin Xin Tok Senior Manager and Yi Shuen Yeoh Manager, also of the National Biodiversity Centre. Their specific interest was in the ways community groups can promote and support biodiversity.

Singapore National Biodiversity Centre visit: Bill Handke talking to Dr Leong Chee Chiew – Executive Director of National Parks Singapore.



They were very interested in what we have achieved at STEP, and appreciated the layout of the Wattle Walk to allow visitors to understand the diversity of this species. Other recent visitors to STEP have been a group of FNAC volunteer guides familiarising themselves with what STEP has to show visitors and also a large group of visitors from U3A.

Tasks such as weeding have kept us very busy. One Thursday, most volunteers worked in the Bush Tucker Garden, making it weed free (at least for a short time.)

In recent weeks, our attention has been on removing St John's Wort. It is relatively easy task as the wet ground facilitates the removal of the tap root but as this weed is very prolific, we will have to continue this job for some time yet.

We have had assistance from the Horticulture team to barricade places where the paths are eroded and/or unstable and also we thank Kieran for his ditch work along the Mesa Oaks. Thank you for your work with us, it is much appreciated. See picture over the page!

For your information, STEP's AGM will be held at 10am, Thursday 15 December at the STEP morning tea area. You are more than welcome to attend.

Best wishes
Judy Smith
President STEP



Vicki Woolley hugs a Giant Sequoia -approximately 150 years old, on a recent visit to the Royal Tasmanian Botanic Garden

The Curatoreum Gift guide

Thanks for your ongoing support throughout another turbulent year. From all of us here at The Curatoreum, we wish you a Merry Festive Season and Fabulous New Year!

Whether you are looking for gifts or need to start some serious “hinting” to those loved ones that are flummoxed every year, you’ll find some great ideas in-store – and don’t forget to show your member card for 10% off. Here’s a little selection of our favourite things to round out the year.

Bonsai & Penjing: The National Collection of Australia
\$25 – The must-have gift of the season!

This is the ultimate bonsai coffee table book featuring a selection of trees from The National Bonsai & Penjing Collection of Australia expertly captured throughout the seasons of Australia’s national capital, Canberra.



Bonsai Tool Set – made in Japan by Kikuwa
\$398



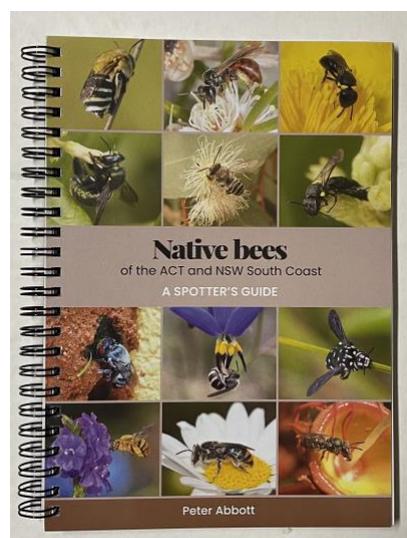
Kikuwa are industry leaders in Bonsai tools. This set has been carefully selected to include the best tools for starting out or even for a professional upgrade. The set features tools sourced from a number of black smiths, as many Japanese traditional craftsmen focus their attention on mastering one skill.

The old saying definitely applies here: "There is not enough time in one lifetime to truly master one skill". This set will bring a lot of pleasure and will last many life times of use. There are also a limited number of individual tools, see in store for the full range.

Local Authors – New Releases

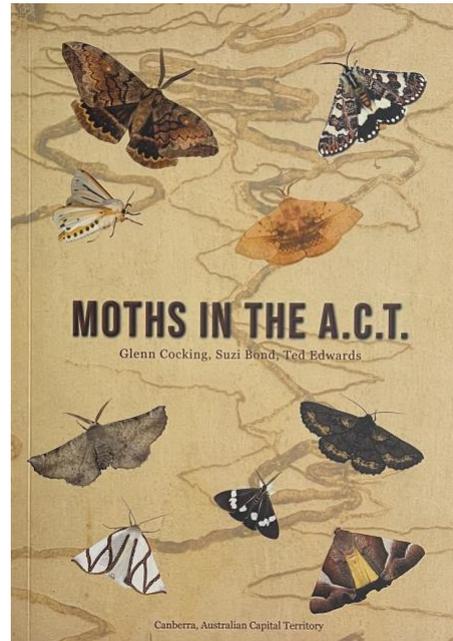
Native Bees of the ACT and South Coast: a spotter's guide, by Dr Peter Abbott
\$40

Dr Peter Abbott has produced this field guide to help you identify the many and varied native bees of our region and the south coast. Clearly set out, with lots of photos, it is a great resource to have on your next hike.



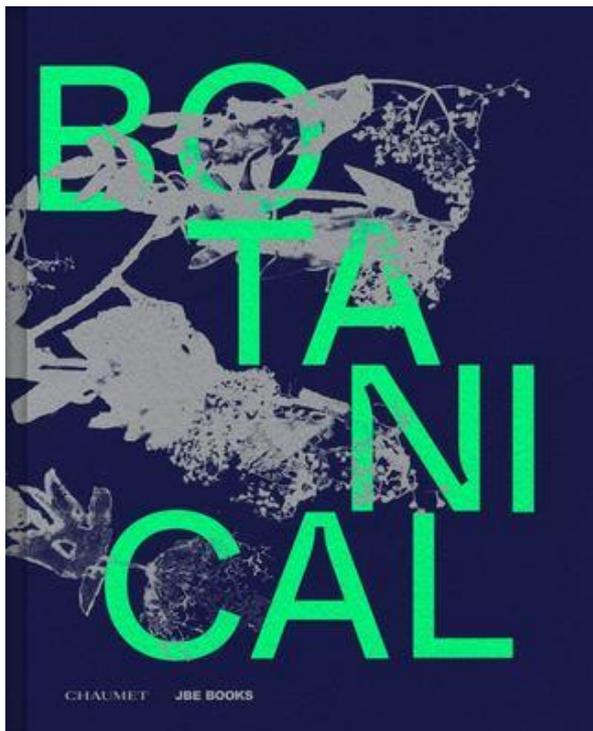
Moths in the ACT, by Glenn Cocking, Suzi Bond, Ted Edwards
\$50

Learn about the fascinating world of moths in the Australian Capital Territory. This detailed reference is brimming with spectacular full-colour photographs of live moths paired with a bevy of captivating moth facts. It also contains general and technical information about moths in any part of Australia or the world. Whether you are a moth enthusiast or are simply exploring with the kids, this book is your gateway to an intriguing new world



New Books

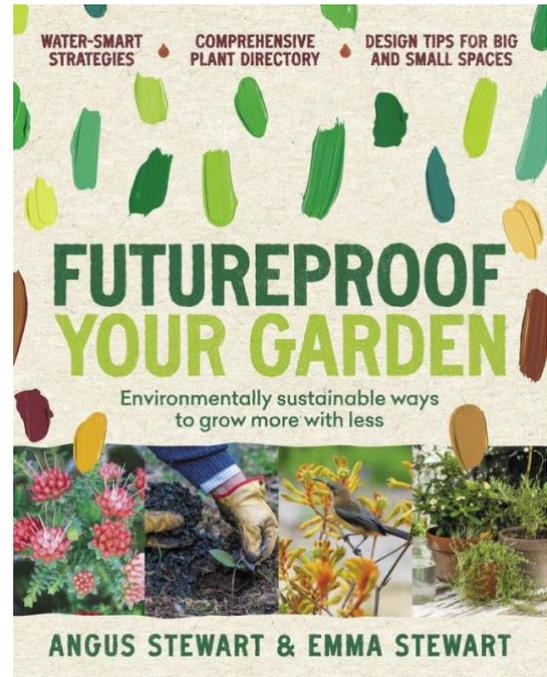
Botanical: observing beauty
\$105



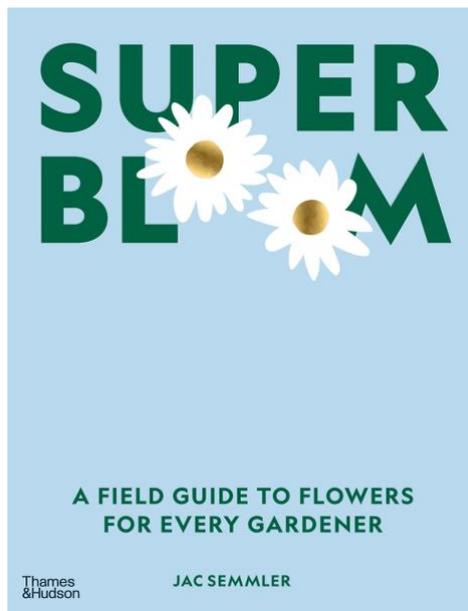
This handsome volume invites readers on an intimate stroll through centuries of jewellery, botany, drawing, prints, video-game imagery and scientific illustrations, offering a primer on the beauty and ingenuity of nature as reflected in art. Through five rigorous and engaging essays, the contributors unravel the mysterious inner workings of nature and celebrate the visionary mimetic art born from culture.

Futureproof your Garden, by Angus Stewart and Emma Stewart
\$45

Angus and Emma help you to choose plants that not only suit your personal style, but that can adapt to changing environments. A photographic plant directory is packed with information on what to plant where, and the pair share design know-how that's adaptable to outdoor spaces of all sizes. Filled with knowledge and wisdom from two generations of widely respected horticulturalists, this is a must-have for any gardener looking to the future of what to plant and grow.



Superbloom: a field guide to flowers for every gardener, by Jac Semmler
\$90



Leading Australian plant specialist Jac Semmler revives the appeal of treasured, old-world beautiful flowers for the modern garden. Although a “field guide”, this one is not for the back pocket! This comprehensive gardening how-to for beginners and experts alike, is a work of art.

This is a manifesto for maximum plants, maximum flowers, maximum beauty. Super Bloom is a modern gardening classic.

Trees: from Root to Leaf, by Paul Smith
\$80

A landmark publication that captures the beautiful richness of every aspect of trees and their importance for science, culture and the future of humankind. Generously illustrated and organized according to tree lifecycle - from seeds, leaves and form to wood, flowers and fruit - this book celebrates the great diversity and beauty of the 60,000 tree species that inhabit our planet.

Little Extras

Proppi 3 Propagation station

\$46.99 – also available, 2-station Proppi

This glass and bamboo station is perfect for propagating your favourite indoor plant. Simply put a cutting into the specially-designed amphoras and see them thrive. Then, keep them in the tube as an ornament or pot into the soil and watch them take off.



Hibi 10 minute aromas

\$15.95 – available in cedarwood, oak moss, ambergris, yuzu, sandalwood and more.

Take a little time out to enjoy the moment. Treat yourself (or someone else, if you must) to 10 minutes of quiet aromatic reflection. These little packs hold 8 sticks and come with a reusable burning mat. Great stocking stuffer or Kris Kringle gift!

Thank you to all our Sponsors and Contributors

If you have ideas for articles, or items that might be of interest to the Friends such as stories or photos from the Arboretum or further afield, please contact me Nicole Pietrucha on: pietruchanac1@gmail.com. Many thanks to the people who have contributed articles and photos for this and previous issues of the Newsletter, and given generously of your time to write, read and proofread. I could not do it without your help.



Friends new website: <http://friendsarboretumcanberra.org.au>

Friends new email address: contact@friendsarboretumcanberra.org.au

How to join the Friends

Visit arboretumcanberra.org.au to join online or to find out more about the benefits of being a member

OR

Email your details to: contact@arboretumcanberra.org.au and pay by funds transfer or cheque

OR

Complete the Application Form and mail it to:

The Secretary, Friends of the National Arboretum Canberra,
PO Box 48, Campbell, ACT 2612, and pay by funds transfer or cheque.

- Bank details for funds transfer:
Westpac, Petrie Plaza, Canberra, ACT: BSB 032 719.
Account: 375379 – please include surname in description.
- Cheques payable to: Friends of the National Arboretum Canberra Inc.

Membership type	1 year	2 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$45	\$80
<input type="checkbox"/> Household	\$55	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Concession*	\$25	\$40
<input type="checkbox"/> Club/Association**	\$100	\$180
<input type="checkbox"/> Business**	\$500	\$900

*Pensioners, health card holders & students
**See website for details



Membership Application Form

Membership type:

Title: First name:

Last name:

OR

Club/Association/Business name:

Address:

State: P/code:

Email address for newsletter and updates:

Phone: Mobile:

Number of parking passes:

Total amount payable (include membership/s and parking pass amounts): \$

Signature:

Date:

Parking Pass 1 year

- Friends' Annual Parking Pass \$35 per vehicle

For a parking pass, please include your vehicle's registration number.

Note: An Individual Member is entitled to apply for one Parking Pass at the Friends' rate and a Household Member is entitled to apply for two Parking Passes at the Friends' rate.

Parking passes are issued for one year from the date of purchase.