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DAME MARIE BASHIR AD CVO AND THE CONSUL GENERAL FOR JAPAN KEIZO TAKEWAKA



OPEN (left):

**Emperor of Russia Variegated:** Daniel and Carolyn Low

NOVICE (right): Polar Bear: Judith McGill









# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

July must have been the busiest month ever for our Society. We had a fantastic 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show. It was so special with our Patron Dame Marie and the Consul-General of Japan, Keizo Takawaka, delivering such thoughtful and entertaining speeches. The show benches were a splendid display of the best camellias to be found from Berry to Asquith and Silverdale. Show Manager, Richie had everything in order for smooth-running affair.



Our hosts Ravenswood School for Girls provided the best venue in NSW and made all of the special guests welcome with a High Tea and afternoon tea for everyone.

Winners of the point score were Jim Powell and Jenny Donohoe and Champion Bloom; Chris and Helen Chapman. Julie Ward took out the President's Prize.



Our patron cutting the Camellia cake

The Official Opening started with "Welcome to Country" followed by an introduction to The Guest of Honour our Patron; Professor the Honorable Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO. Everyone present was glad to see Dame Marie again. We couldn't have a patron, more-loved by the people of our State. Dame Marie spoke of her love of camellias beginning at University and growing as her mother started growing them in Narrandera in the Riverina.

Dame Marie was followed by the Consul-General of Japan who had come to our show last year initially to see the Ikebana but then we took him on a guided tour of the blooms. This year the situation was reversed but now we think of him as a special friend of our Society even though his term of office is concluded and he and his family have returned to Japan. He spoke about the historical aspect of camellias in Japan and the World Congress in 2020.

Finally, our host, Principal Anne Johnstone spoke about the positivity of girls' development being like the blossoming of a special flower. We then presented the major prizes, gifts to our guests, and the show was underway.

Thanks to our many Sponsors in no special order: Neutrog, Camellia Grove, Cut Above Tools, Eden Gardens, Honeysuckle Nursery, Yates, Organic Crop Protectants and all of the families and friends who donated special prizes.

Finally a word from the President of Sogetsu Ikebana, Margaret Hall:

"Sogetsu Ikebana thank you very much for the opportunity to have an exhibition in conjunction with your wonderful show".

All of the Lucky Raffle and Door Entry winners have received their prizes.

# NEWSLETTER- August 2019



Our 50th Anniversary Show Benches



Champion Bloom 'Frank Houser' C&H Chapman



A Prize Bench



Ikebana – Elizabeth Fuller



The Guests of Honour



Great Eastern



Carefully Does It



Niki van Leeuwin's Lady Gowrie









The Bonsai Display

What a Crowd

Tae Came With Her Kimono Friends

Since the show we visited The Illawarra Camellia Show on the 20<sup>th</sup>, where all of the competitors from our Society; Richie Griffiths, Carolyn and Daniel Low and Chris and Helen Chapman gained ribbons of all colours but it was Chris and Helen who took out many of the major prizes.







Collection of 3 C&H Chapman

Guilio Nuccio - R Griffiths

Drama Girl - CG&D Low

Monday last week saw our usual monthly meeting and bloom competition take place with hardly time for a breather. There was a good showing of blooms especially by our leading novice Judith McGill. Our Guest speaker was Craig Carroll who spoke about his passion for camellias which started when he was a very young man of sixteen. He was accompanied by Daphne and he coincidentally spoke about other plants he is working with including one of her name. He followed up his talk with a fantastic demonstration of Whip and Tongue Grafting onto a Retic Seedling.



Craig Carroll with Crapnelliana



The Whip and Tongue



Novice Champion Judith McGill

# **NEWSLETTER- August 2019**

Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup> of July was a sunny day by any account at Lisgar Gardens' Camellia Gala Day. My thanks to Carolyn, Ritchie, Pam and Elizabeth for providing help and/or blooms for our colourful display. There were a number Chinese performing groups who added to the number of visitors to our area which Lorraine Smith had given us only this week as I was slow to get back to her.

We gained two paid up new members and one possible on the day, and many enquiries regarding ID, improving plant health and tree planting advice.







Signed Up 2 New Members

One of 3 Tables

A Guest at our Display

#### On the sick list:

Last week Carolyn and I visited your Secretary, Helen at the San. She was in good spirits all considered and we presented her with flowers on behalf of all members. Wishing you a Speedy Recovery, Helen.

#### Daniel Low

President, NSW Camellia Research Society

Photos in this report, courtesy: Richie and Hannah Griffiths, Carolyn Low, Louse Ingersoll, Daniel Low and Melissa Low



# MONTHLY SCHEDULE 2019

August 2019						
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month) Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 7pm benching for bloom competition; 7.30pm meeting start. Guest speaker: Richie Griffiths on potting up Reticulata scions available for donation to NSWCRS					
September 2019						
Monday 16th	NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month) Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 7pm benching for bloom competition; 7.30pm meeting start. Guest speaker: TBA					





# MONTHLY BLOOM COMPETITION CLASSES 2019

Class	Description	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	1 Sasanqua Single		✓	✓				
2	2 Sasanqua Formal Double & Elegans Form		✓	✓				
3	3 Sasanqua other forms		✓	✓				
4	4 Sasanqua any form				✓			
5	5 Japonica/Hybrid Single		✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
6	6 Japonica/Hybrid Semi-double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6A	Japonica / Hybrid Irregular Semi-Double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Japonica/Hybrid Elegans Form		✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
8	Japonica/Hybrid Informal Double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Japonica/Hybrid Formal Double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	Japonica/Hybrid Miniature		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Japonica/Hybrid any form	✓						
12	Reticulatas & their hybrids		✓	✓	<b>✓</b>			
13	Reticulatas & their hybrids up to 130mm					✓	✓	✓
14	Reticulatas & their hybrids over 130mm					✓	✓	✓
15	Other not listed	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	Clusters & sprays of multi-flowered species & hybrids	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17	New seedling or sport (1 to 3 blooms)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
C1	Collection: Sasanqua, any form, 3 blooms	✓	✓					
C2	Collection: Any camellia, any form, 3 blooms		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

#### Classes

Classes 1 to 15: one bloom, with a maximum of 2 attached leaves

Classes C1 & C2: a collection of 3 blooms, with a maximum of 2 attached leaves

# Competition

A 'Novice' exhibitor has not won the annual 'Novice' championship, nor have they scored 20 points in a monthly 'Open' competition. The competition year starts in March, and a 'Novice' in March remains so to the end of that year. A bloom exhibited by a 'Novice' can win in 'Open' classes.

#### **Points**

'Open' and 'Novice' Classes 1 to 16:  $1^{st} = 3$  points;  $2^{nd} = 2$  points;  $3^{rd} = 1$  point (if required) 'Open' and 'Novice' Collections Classes C1 to C2:  $1^{st} = 6$  points;  $2^{nd} = 4$  points;  $3^{rd} = 1$  point (if required)

'Open' and 'Novice' Champion bloom (from the winning blooms) Extra 3 points.







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Memebership has reached 100 members this month. Membership fees for 2020 are **due on 1st November 2019**. The following table outlines membership fees:

Membership type	Emailed newsletter*	Black & white posted newsletter**				
Single	\$30	\$60				
Household	\$40	\$70				
Life members	Free	\$30				
*Included as part of all memberships						

<sup>\*\*</sup>An additional fee of \$30 covers expenses of printing & postage

Payments Methods: Via Internet Banking <u>OR</u> Via Direct Deposit over the counter at a Commonwealth Bank

Account Name: NSWCRS

BSB: 062247 Account Number: 0090 0966 Put as a Reference: "RenewalYourSurname"



























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# Sydney *Cherry Blossom* Festival and Garden Day

Saturday 17 August to Sunday 25 August 2019

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**Garden Day with Stalls** 

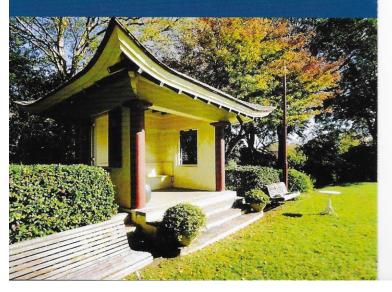
Tuesday 20 August 2019 9AM - 5PM





# ENJOY ERYLDENE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR IN 2019







- Stroll through the beautiful camellia garden
- Tour the house, and absorb early twentieth century history, culture and architecture
  - Take Sunday Afternoon Tea as served by Mrs Waterhouse. Bookings recommended

# Eryldene is open from 10am to 4pm on:

# April 13-14

Celebrate our 105th Birthday with FREE ENTRY View parts of the Collection not usually on display

#### May 11-12

Mothers Day Weekend, celebratory teas served from 11.00am both days, bookings essential

# June 8-9 and July 13-14

When most camellias are at their best

# August 10-11 and September 14-15

For late camellias and azaleas

#### November 23-24

Eryldene Christmas Fair with over 50 unique stalls

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Book at www.ticketebo.com.au/eryldene



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