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MARCH MEETING  
CHAMPION BLOOMS:

OPEN (left):

Paradise Pearl: D & C LOW

NOVICE (right):

Setsugekka: J McGill

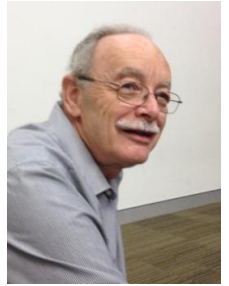
PLANTATION PINK BLOOMING THIS WEEK- PHOTO ERIN FOULSHAM





## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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I have good news for all members regarding our upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show.

Our Patron, Professor The Hon Dame Marie Bashir AD CVO has agreed to Officially Open our show.

His Excellency, Keizo Takewaka, Consul-General of Japan, has replied positively to our invitation to be a special Guest Speaker on the Topic, "The History and Culture of Camellias in Japan".

March was a good month for the Society. Speaking of the meeting, Paul Dipuglia was both an entertaining and most informative Guest Speaker. The samples of Neutrog Products he brought were greatly appreciated by members and guests alike. We attracted new members at our Monthly Meeting. My apologies to our Ex-Officio members of the Committee, Marion and Bill our Judging Coordinator and our Librarian for not inviting them to be in our Committee photo.

Not only have we gained a Treasurer, Julie Hood, but also our Show Manager will be Richie Griffiths.

Now that Richie has taken the steering role, I am appealing for volunteers even at this early stage to tell him what duties they may be able to carry out both before and during Show Week.

Some of last year's members have not renewed their Subs yet, and they will be unfinancial after this month and their newsletters will cease. This is the **"Final Notice"**. An added reason for renewing is that this month we have to report to Camellias Australia for our Capitation and unfinancial members will not receive their Australian Journal after this month.

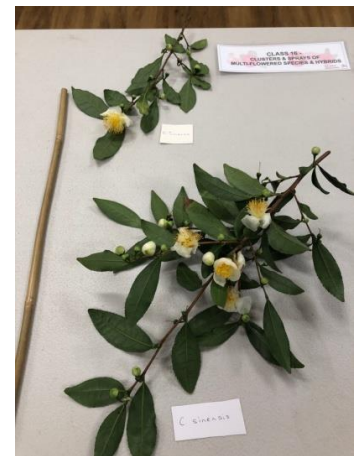
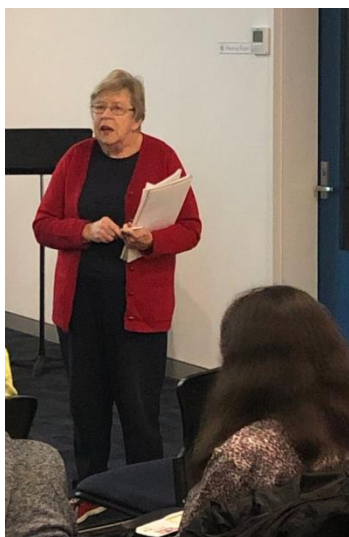
While on Financial Matters some members are not adding their family name in the reference section when making a direct deposit over the internet or they are not asking the Bank Teller to add their name and the reason for the deposit when making a direct deposit at a bank.

Daniel Low

President, NSW Camellia Research Society



## MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS





## MONTHLY SCHEDULE 2019

<b>April 2019</b>	
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month)</b> – Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 6.45pm benching for bloom competition; 7.30pm meeting start Guest speakers <b>Keith and Maureen Smith</b> From the Propagating gardener
<b>May 2019</b>	
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month)</b> TBC – Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 6.45pm benching for bloom competition; 7.30pm meeting start
<b>June 2019</b>	
Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month)</b> TBC – Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 6.45pm benching for bloom competition; 7.30pm meeting start
<b>July 2019</b>	
July 13 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NSWCRS 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Show</b> Ravenswood School Hall, Henry Street, Gordon
July 20 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Camellias Illawarra Annual Show (TIGS)</b>
July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (On the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday due to show)</b> TBC – Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 6.45pm benching for bloom competition; 7.30pm meeting start



# **APRIL NSWCRS MONTHLY MEETING**

**MONDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**GORDON BAPTIST CHURCH, 20-22  
PARK AVE, GORDON**

**WITH**

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

**Keith and Maureen Smith**

**The Propagating Gardener**

**BENCHING OF BLOOMS COMMENCES AT 7pm**

**GENERAL MEETING AT 7:30**

**GUEST SPEAKERS AT 7:45**

**VISITORS WELCOME**



## MONTHLY BLOOM COMPETITION CLASSES 2019

Class	Description	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
1	Sasanqua Single	✓	✓					
2	Sasanqua Formal Double & Elegans Form	✓	✓					
3	Sasanqua other forms	✓	✓					
4	Sasanqua any form			✓	✓			
5	Japonica/Hybrid Single		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Japonica/Hybrid Semi-double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6A	Japonica / Hybrid Irregular Semi-Double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Japonica/Hybrid Elegans Form		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Japonica/Hybrid Informal Double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Japonica/Hybrid Formal Double		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	Japonica/Hybrid Miniature		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Japonica/Hybrid any form	✓						
12	Reticulatas & their hybrids		✓	✓	✓			
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<sup>st</sup> = 3 points; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 2 points; 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1 point (if required)

'Open' and 'Novice' Collections Classes C1 to C2: 1<sup>st</sup> = 6 points; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 4 points; 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1 point (if required)

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



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR GARDEN?

### COUNTRY CORNER- DAVID MAHER

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Given my age and some related health challenges, I have been dilatory in not contributing in recent months, perhaps years, but the climatic phenomenon that we experienced in the recent summer of 2018 - 19 has prompted me to relay some information that could be useful to camellia enthusiasts.

The summer of 2018 – '19 will long be remembered by New England-North-West gardeners for its aggregate of high temperatures and the paucity of rainfall. My gauge measured thirty-two mls for January/February. A combination of heat, the dry atmospheric conditions and the lack of rainfall put an enormous amount of stress on plant life. Hence, it has occurred to me that some members would be interested in the responses of some of my camellias to the conditions.

#### CAMELLIA SASANQUAS

- 'Hiryu': As brave and as tolerant as always. My fifteen year old plant that is exposed to the afternoon western sun experienced very little sun burn.
- 'Otome' 'Sazanka': Another late summer sun participant that did not burn at all. This plant is loaded with buds.
- 'Margaret Lyle': Barely a leaf was burnt and almost all that suffered were on plants in pots. Plants in the ground seemed not to have any evidence of the severity of the summer. Bill Parker will be pleased to read this report.
- 'Shishi Gashhira' often looked sad but it survived and has budded generously.
- 'Setsugekka', even though grown in a protected position, it had to be watered constantly to sustain it through the summer. I do not recommend white sasanquas for the North-West but it is a splendid plant for New England.

#### CAMELLIA JAPONICA

- All my japonicas except 'Cinnamon Cindy' are under 70% shade cloth and, in most cases, experience overhead watering. Hence, they are spared the full blast of heat and the dry atmospheric conditions.
- 'Elegans Champagne', 'Swan Lake', 'Federation' and 'Magnoliiflora' have all budded up generously.
- 'Tama- No- Ura' has grown but not budded well so perhaps these have been resentful of the conditions.
- 'Cinnamon Cindy' is loaded with buds and obviously benefited from re-potting and a favourable position where it is protected by an Osmanthus 'Fragrans'.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR GARDEN?

### COUNTRY CORNER CONTINUED...

#### CAMELLIA RETICULATA

My sole plant is 'Lasca Beauty' grown as one of Richard's C.R.S.'s project plants. Now about 60 cm tall, it sulked all summer but should be enlivened by the cooler conditions that autumn offers. I shall give it a different position next summer.

Overall one has to conclude that the genus demonstrated remarkable resilience given the relentless conditions.



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## MEMBERSHIP FEES 2019

Membership fees for 2019 were **due on 1st November 2018**. If you have not already done so, kindly make arrangements to renew your annual membership. The following table outlines membership fees:

Membership type	Emailed newsletter*	Black & white posted newsletter**
Single	\$30	\$60
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*Included as part of all memberships		
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