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June Guest Speaker Details Lisgar Gardens Open Day 2022 Show manager Calling

The June meeting is coming up on

Monday 20th

Let's have a bumper rollup.

Members please bring a **Plate**





Two Red and White Beauties: Oki-No-Nami and Paul Jones Supreme



JUNE REPORT

This month we welcome Dr Stephen Utick who will be outlining a number of topics from Camellia Ark Australia. Refer to the synopsis of his talk later in the newsletter.









PRESIDENT'S REPORT, MAY 2022

A big thank you to Daniel Low for his discussion of photographing blooms last meeting. You would all agree, I am sure, that Daniel and Carolyn demonstrate their technique and success with the many photos they include in each Newsletter. Also, a thank you to our judges and scribes for the monthly bloom competition. The number of blooms tabled is starting to increase as we get towards the peak bloom season.

This coming monthly meeting on Monday 20th June will feature a presentation by our Member, Dr Stephen Utick. Further details are given later in the Newsletter. This looks like being an interesting presentation explaining how Camellia Ark is



progressing and the work at The Royal Botanical Gardens, Sydney. I encourage all members to attend. Preparation for the Annual Show at Ravenswood School on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th July are well in hand. What is needed, is our members to step up as volunteers for the many tasks that help to make the Show a success. Please respond positively when the call goes out again for volunteers. We need your help; if the Society is to continue to flourish, we need active members for what is our key event of the year.

SAVE THE DATE: Monday 25th July; we are hoping to arrange a visit to an expansive private garden in Castle Hill which includes many camellias and an arboretum. It is planned for a 10:30am start at the site. Further details once we have a confirmation.

If this visit to Castle Hill is confirmed, we will amend the July monthly meeting to the usual third Monday night on 18th July.

Apologies for the resulting uncertainty for our program of events.

Bruce Walker President





Happy Higo









PHOTOS: D. and C. LOW





Unryu Tsubaki

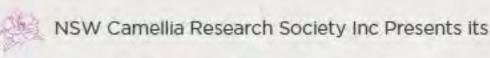








NEW SOUTH WALES CAMELLIA RESEARCH SOCIETY SHOW 2022 IS COMING



51st Annual Camellia Show



At Ravenswood School for Girls, Henry Street, Gordon

Saturday 9TH July 2022 1.30pm to 4.30pm and

Sunday 10TH July 2022 10am to 4pm

Featuring:

Spectacular Display of Beautiful Camellias

"Camellia Grove" Camellias for Sale and Camellia Plant Raffle Daily

Beautiful Displays of Sogetsu Ikebana; Camellia Artifacts

"Cut Above" Garden Tools for Sale

Bring Your Camellias For Identification or Help with Pests and Diseases

Admission: Adults - \$5 (includes a Lucky Door Prize) School children - Free

Ravenswood School for Girls and the Camellia Show are both COVID Safe and request all visitors to adhere to recommended NSW Health COVID Safe guidelines;

- If you are unwell, even with very mild symptoms, please stay at home and seek appropriate medical care.
- If anyone in your household or a close contact tests positive for COVID-19 do not attend.
- If anyone in your household or a close contact is being tested for COVID-19, please do not attend until a negative result has been returned.
- You are encouraged to wash your hands regularly and use the hand sanitiser provided.

Enquirles: nswcamellias@hotmail.com

The NSW Camellia Research Society meets at Gordon. Baptist Church the third Monday of each month (February to October). Visitors are most welcome.









CAMELLIAS—A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING—THE BEAUTY OF SIMPLICITY

C. LOW

TEXT OF A TALK GIVEN TO IKEBANA INTERNATIONAL SYDNEY CHAPTER #36

In the last 25 years as we have developed our garden my preference for more simple camellias has grown. Our garden already had very large trees of Cho Cho San and Hagoromo which embody the shape form and purity of colour that embody the elegance of simplicity.

Over the intervening years, I have fortunately been able to obtain smaller and simpler Japanese varieties Such as: Tama-No-Ura, Unryu Tsubaki, Kogane Yuri, Nokogiriba Tsubaki and Kingyo Tsubaki. A few of these were obtained from very generous growers in the Camellia Community.

Some of these are very intriguing not only for their colour but also for their perfume, unusual leaf shape and branching habit. As an example one of the most fascinating ones is Tama-No-Ura; which is not only the parent of a number of cross-breeding and seedling varieties but it is also the Official Symbol of Goto City, Nagasaki Prefecture in Japan and was to be the host city for the 2020 International Camellia Congress.



Cho Cho San



Hagoromo



Unryu Tsubaki



Kogane Yuri



Nokogiriba Tsubaki



Kingyo Tsubaki



Tama-No-Ura



Official Symbol of Goto City

In the talk we had a table of blooms many of which enabled them to see the great variety of shape and size within the genus and also to compare to the more simple Japanese forms. Examples of their use as a theme were seen in scrolls, paintings, kimono fabric, fabric and as the tea plant was shown in the morning tea.









VALE: KATE STANLEY

D. LOW

Kate Stanley was a member of our Society from 2014 until poor health made it impossible for her to continue her active membership.

Kate had been keen on displaying her blooms both in the monthly meeting competition and at our annual show. In each show for some years she took on the onerous task of applying her calligraphy skill to the creation of the 300 plus prize certificates for the Annual Show.

With Paul she had been a contributor to the management of the Society through Committee membership. Kate was a driving force in the success of the National Show "North by Northwest" hosted by us in 2015.

From its inception, Kate had been an active member of Camellia Ark Australia, serving on its committee and as Editor of the "Ark Journal".

Kate was active in a number of other garden clubs and societies.

Our heartfelt thoughts and wishes go out to Paul and all of his family.



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MAY MEETING AND BLOOM COMPETITION RESULTS

MONTH	MEMBER	PTS	SAS	SPR/ MINS	RETICS	GRADE	TOTAL/ MNTH
May	J.McGill					0	0
	C. & D. Low	16	3	5		0	24
	B. Walker	18	5			N	23
	E. Fuller	3	3	1		0	7
	R. Griffiths	22		6	5	0	33
	B. Fleming					0	0
	J. Muras	2			1	0	3



Novice Champion B. Walker Maiden Lane F



r Open Champion, R. Griffiths Lasca Beauty



Collection R. Griffiths



Miniature D&C. Low



Japonica/Single E. Fuller









Novice Class 8, B. Walker



Open Class 8, R. Griffiths



Class 8



Novice Class 6, B. Walker



Open Class 6, R. Griffiths



Open Class 15, D&C. Low



Open Class 9, R. Griffiths



BLOOM COMPETITION AND RULES 2022

Class	Description	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
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	✓	>	✓	✓
12	Reticulatas & their hybrids	✓			
15	Other not listed	✓	√	✓	✓
16	Clusters & sprays of multi-flowered species & hybrids	✓	\	✓	✓
17	New seedling or sport (1 to 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: $1^{st} = 3 \text{ points}; \quad 2^{nd} = 2 \text{ points}; \quad 3^{rd} = 1 \text{ point (if required)}$

'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.

Some Blooms for June









MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE 2022 (CHANGES TO BE NOTIFIED)

June 2022	
Monday 20th	NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month) Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 7pm benching of blooms for 7.30 meeting. Speaker: Dr Stephen Utick "Progress of Camellia Ark Australia: the connections to collections".
July 2022	
Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th	NSW CRS Annual Show. Details to follow
Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th	Illawarra Annual Show
Monday 18th	NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Deferred for Show Month) Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 7pm benching of blooms for 7.30 meeting. Speaker TBA
Sunday 24th	Lisgar Gardens Open Day Camellia Gala Day, 11.00am-3.00pm. Bring blooms for the NSWCRS Display Tables
Monday 25th	Visit to Castle Hill Details to follow
August 2022	
Monday 15th	NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month) Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 7pm benching of blooms. Speaker TBA
September 2022	
Thursday 1 st -Sunday 4 th	National Congress, Hobart. Details available from Bruce or Helen or Joe jneuschwanger@optusnet.com.au
Monday 19th	NSWCRS Monthly Meeting (Always 3rd Monday of Month) Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon 7pm benching of blooms for 7.30 meeting. Speaker TBA
October 2022	
Monday 17th	NSWCRS AGM 7.30pm. Gordon Baptist Church, 20-22 Park Ave, Gordon.
November 2022	
	Annual Dinner and Presentations. Date and Location TBA









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	Richie Griffiths (Public Officer)	Judith McGill		
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ABN:	16 873 158 367			
Incorporation No.:	Y17693-47			



MORE JUNE BLOOMS

D AND C. LOW

It is coincidental that so often when we receive our journals from California and The American Society that we always seem to find some we have here in Sydney. This month I'll say, "Hi to Brad in California".



'High Fragrance'



'Minato-No-Akebono'



'Kogane Yuri'







WHAT'S ON AT ERYLDENE



1 July 2022

Fridays in the Garden

Want to see what goes on in the Eryldene garden between open days?

3 July 2022

Art on Sundays

Hear and learn from artists currently practising across the wider Sydney community.

5 August 2022

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7 August 2022

Music on Sundays

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2 September 2022

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PRESENTATION TO NSW CRS 20TH JUNE 2022

DR STEPHEN UTICK

PROGRESS OF CAMELLIA ARK AUSTRALIA: THE CONNECTIONS TO COLLECTIONS...

Over the past 3 years, and despite lockdowns, Camellia Ark Australia has made impressive progress in conserving rare camellias through access to a wide range of collections. This presentation will look at some of these developments including links to the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney, and at Blue Mountains Botanic Gardens.

Also in his capacity as Visiting Curator of *Theaceae* at Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney, Dr Utick will update on progress with the opening up of its camellia collections in preparation for the 200th anniversary of the first planting of a collection of camellias in the Southern Hemisphere there in 1823.



YES ITS ON AGAIN, LISGAR GARDENS OPEN DAY, CAMELLIA GALA DAY SUNDAY 24TH JULY, 11.00AM-3.00PM

Friends of Lisgar Gardens are holding their Open Day again and our Society is helping by having Camellia Display Tables, You can assist by bringing Blooms with Labels, Volunteering to answer camellia related enquiries and promoting membership in our society.

Bruce or Richie will work out a roster for those who can make it on the day.



SHOW PROGRAM DETAILS BY RICHIE GRIFFITHS, MANAGER

This meeting Richie will outline show tasks and he would like members to sign up for where, when and how they might help.

