




FRIENDS OF WARRNAMBOOL BOTANIC GARDENS

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Music in the Gardens

We have a fine programme of music and entertainment planned for six Sundays during February and March. The concerts will start at 2:00 pm and details for your information are enclosed. There is an extra copy which we hope you will pass on to friends. Any enquiries you may have on the music programme, please ring Marie Johnstone on 62 - 3238, a.h.

Friends of the Geelong Botanic Gardens

We recently showed a group from the Geelong Friends through the gardens. They seemed most impressed by the layout and careful planning of the gardens and by the fact that they retain so much of the original Guilfoyle design.

They have asked us to inform you of an outstanding exhibition called "It's a Rare Thing" being held now at the Geelong Art Gallery until March 12th. The exhibition features a large collection of Helen Leitch's paintings of rare and endangered Australian plants usually painted in a comical fashion with Australian animals. This is a beautiful exhibition & you have been invited to combine a visit to the Art Gallery with a visit to the Geelong Gardens where the Friends' Tea House caters for lunches. The roses in the Geelong Gardens should be magnificent in early March!

Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne - Bookshop


If you can spare a couple of hours when next in Melbourne, this is the place to visit for outstanding botanical books. The bookshop is open every day of the year, except Christmas and Good Friday, from 10 am to 4 pm. The RBGM Friends suggest taking a tram along St. Kilda Road, getting off at the Shrine and walking up to the Herbarium which is on the corner of Dallas Brooks' Drive and Birdwood Avenue.

Visit to Portland - Sunday 5th February

The Portland Garden Club have asked us to join them on this day from 1:00 pm to see over the following gardens and at 3:00 pm to hear a talk by Sarah Guest the well-known garden writer. A cost of \$5 covers the open gardens, Sarah Guest's talk at the Fawthrop Community Centre and afternoon tea. The gardens are "Burswood" Cape Nelson Road; Mrs. Betty Learmonth's garden on Avonmore Avenue, and Mrs. Robyn McKenzie's garden, Burvilles Road.

If you are interested in coming to Portland please ring Kathy Wicherson on 62 - 1436. This should be a most enjoyable afternoon and if there are many of you wishing to come we may hire a bus. Alternatively, if you wish to drive over independently and have any queries regarding this day please ring Malcolm Jones of the Portland Garden Club (055) 23 - 4349, evenings only.

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Friends of the Warrnambool Botanic Gardens Committee invite you to attend a series of music programmes and entertainment in the Botanic Gardens near the Rotunda on the following Sundays. Performances start at 2 p.m.

- February 5th      Variety Concert
- February 12th     Scottish Afternoon -  
                         Pipe Band, singing and dancing
- February 26th     Bands Galore!  
                         City Band, Salvation Army Band,  
                         School Bands
- March 5th           Irish Afternoon, singing and dancing
- March 19th         Holiday Actors, Children's Programme -  
                         to be advised
- March 26th         Variety Concert

We look forward to sharing these days with you. Bring your friends - and chairs! and enjoy a free musical afternoon.