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NEWSLETTER. SUMMER, 1996

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Music in the Gardens

We again have a fine programme of music and entertainment planned for the months of February and March. Please come along and join us on these Sundays. We would appreciate your passing this programme on to friends.

President's Report

Our Spring Luncheon with Jane Edmanson as guest speaker was a great success both socially and financially. Thanks to all those who worked so hard to make it so enjoyable. We raised \$1,415 which is a very pleasing result.

In early November I had an open day for Friends in my garden in Manuka Drive. Those who attended were also shown some wonderful photographs taken by Joan Askew on her recent garden tour of Europe.

Lorraine Richardson invited us to have a plant stall when she and her husband opened the lovely garden of "Hopkins Hill" to the public in late November. From that we raised \$130 which was a good effort.

At our November meeting David Jones, Commissioner for Warrnambool, spoke to ^{the} gathering about the proposed formation of a Parks & Gardens Advisory Committee hoping for expressions of interest from the Friends when the Committee is set up.

On 7th December John Hawker, State Horticulturist from the Dept. of Planning and Development, together with Ross Ingram who is a member of the study team which researched and prepared the Conservation and Development Plan for the Warrnambool Botanic Gardens visited our Gardens. They were joined by David Jones, Commissioner for Warrnambool Bill Gill, Director of Planning and Engineering Operations, W.C.C., Terry O'Sullivan, Curator of the Gardens and several of the Friends for a walk in the Gardens to appraise their present state and suggest ways in which the Conservation and Development Plan could be implemented. This walk was followed by a conference to record suggestions. I have written a report on this conference and have submitted it to the relevant authorities. It is too long to reproduce here but it is available to anyone who may wish to read it. To sum up, however, the walk-and-talk was most fruitful and should prove useful in the future.

As part of the development of the Gardens, Committee members Marigold Curtis and Sandra Williams have agreed to undertake the task of supervising the accurate botanic labelling of all the new trees which are to come to the Gardens as a gift from the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne later this year. Furthermore, they have agreed to assist with similar labelling of any trees of importance in the Gardens which do not have a proper label at present.

Our final social function for the year was held on 15th December with 27 Friends enjoying drinks on a lovely summer's afternoon in the Gardens. At this function we began selling raffle tickets for the delightful Helen Leitch print "Endangered Grevillea Trophy" which is part of her endangered Australian species series.

This print will be on display and tickets will be sold for it at each of our Summer Entertainment in the Gardens in February and March. We do hope that you will support both.

Judith Loch

Annual Subscriptions

Just a reminder for all of those members who have not yet paid for the year July 95/96 - would you please send \$7 to Kathy Wicherson, Treasurer F.B.G., 22 Dooley Street, Warrnambool, 3280. If you are not quite sure whether you have paid just give Kathy a ring on 62 - 1436. Thank you.

Marigold Curtis
editor
17.1.96

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in association with the

AUSTRALIAN GARDEN HISTORY SOCIETY
(Victorian Branch)

GUILFOYLE IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT

LECTURE PROGRAM

These lectures are part of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne
150th Commemorative Year 1846-1996 Program

SATURDAY 23 MARCH 1996 - 1.30 to 5.00 pm

Warrnambool Council Room, Liebig Street, Warrnambool

SPEAKERS:

Eve Almond - *Royal Botanic Gardens - The First 150 Years*

Covering the history and development of the Melbourne Botanic Gardens from its bushland origin to one of the finest botanic gardens in the world. The valuable plant collections and the Gardens' role in world plant conservation and education will be discussed.

Richard Aitken - *William Guilfoyle - His Life and Work*

Covering the work of William Guilfoyle in the Melbourne Botanic Gardens and throughout Victoria. His travels, use of plants and design theories will be explored.

John Hawker - *Provincial Botanic Gardens of Victoria*

Covering the establishment of these gardens and the influence of von Mueller and Guilfoyle. The significant plant collections, historic structures, and their rejuvenation since 1984 will be discussed.

Followed by viewing of Warrnambool Botanic Gardens historical archives in the Warrnambool Art Gallery from 5.00 to 6.00 pm, with wine and savouries. **Cost: \$20.00**

GUILFOYLE IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT LECTURES

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Friends of the Warrnambool Botanic Gardens, P.O. Box 1190 Warrnambool, 3280.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON 15 MARCH 1996

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*The Friends of Warrnambool Botanic Gardens invite
you to attend entertainment in the Gardens near the
Rotunda on the following Sundays:*

February 4th	Warrnambool Pipe Band
February 18th	Hot "B" Hines Jazz Band
March 3rd	Warrnambool City Band Warrnambool Salvation Army Band
March 17th	St Patrick's Day - Irish Programme
March 24th	Young Performers - Brauer College Band - Warrnambool College Band
March 31st	Holiday Actors - Children's Programme

Performances start at 2.00 p.m.

*Bring your friends, chairs and refreshments
and enjoy a free musical afternoon.*