

# NEWSLETTER (May 2024)



<b>Elected AGM</b>	<b>09 March 2024</b>
<b>Office Bearers 2024:</b>	
President:	Sandra Logue 0411 066 787
Vice President:	Ashley Haag
Vice President:	(2 positions to fill)
Treasurer:	Patrick Smith
Secretary:	Helen Farley 0498 205705
Committee:	Lenora Neuendorff, Tina Holland, Helen Reich, Michelle Brewer, Sandra Harvey, Colin Power
Assistant and Points Secretary:	Michelle Brewer
Stewards:	Ashley Haag Patrick Smith
Librarian:	Anita Dwyer
Raffle Convenor:	Patrick Smith/Colin Power
Afternoon Tea Convenor:	Veronika King

*Welcome to the May 2024 Newsletter*

### **Dates for your Diary:**

26 May (Sunday)	9 am to 3 pm, Qld Herb Society will have their Medieval and Herb Awareness Day at Albion Peace Centre, 102 McDonald Road, Windsor.
8 June 2024	IHSI Garden Club (next meeting) set up from 12.30 pm. Meeting 1 pm for 1.30.
8 & 9 June 2024	Cactus & Succulent Show – 9 am to 3 pm Saturday and Sunday 9 am to 2.30 p.m. Belmont Shooting Complex - \$5.00 entry for 14 yrs & older.
15 June 2024	Esk Garden Fair
3 August 2024	Geranium & Pelargonium Society of Brisbane Inc. Friendship Day – Guest Speaker Elizabeth from Floral Art Society - entry 12.30 p.m. seated by 1 p.m. Albion Peace Centre – two members each club invited. Let me know and I will RSVP for you.
6 – 8 September	Laidley Spring Festival

21 – 23 September	Toowoomba Bromeliad & Succulent Society Inc. presents their spring sale, Sacred Hearts School Hall, Toowoomba, Tor & North Sts. \$4 entry adults (free plant for every child) (bring your own box). Sat & Sun. 8 – 4 Mon 8 – 2.
12 October 2024	Marburg Garden & Outdoor Expo
18 – 20 October	Buderim Garden Festival

1. Welcome to our newest member, Kim Prince. Kim visited us at our Spring Show with a very keen junior gardener in tow. You will all get to know Kim at our next meeting in June. We welcome Kim and her keen helper to our club and next meeting.
2. No Lucky Door winner for May – Our Spring Show & Market Day was held in place of our May meeting on 4 May 2024.
3. Lucky Door Roster for June – We have Tina Holland bringing our lucky door prize.
4. Our Judge for our June meeting will be: Dell Underwood.

5. **Autumn Show & Market Day (4 May) Report**

Friday afternoon was busy with set up of and Charmain Wilson did a wonderful missed the show you missed the display. So, thank you ladies. Looked great, and The day threatened rain, but fortunately



the hall and Sandra Harvey job with the stage. If you The stage was gorgeous – everyone said so.

did not deter us having a wonderful result with our market day and lots of plants and garden items were donated and sold. The raffle was popular and resulted in a credit to the club of \$574.00 alone. Our hardworking treasurer Patrick has provided a reconciliation for the Show/Market Day which results in a total of \$1675.30 being banked from Raffle, Plant Sales & Plant Sales eft. Once expenses were deducted involving stall site, payment to Judges, champion prizes and plant sales commissions were paid our net result was \$890.20. **Well done to our little club.** This was a far better result than our last Spring Show & Market day, and if we can achieve this result twice a year, our club can run smoothly. Big thanks to all who helped – whether it be on the stall, with donations, purchases, helping out, selling raffle tickets, cleaning up the hall after, telling friends and family our plant stall was happening. Thank you all!! Together we did it. Great job. We also had lots of interest for new memberships which is always great news.

Big thanks to Councillor Madden our Patron for attending and announcing the winners. Thanks to Ashley & Patrick for a fine job in stewarding for us, and also to Michelle Brewer & Helen Murray for their work at the Points Desk.

Our Zone co-ordinators were unable to attend after all and I received a message to say that that Erwin had a bad cold, and Jeanette & Erwin would catch up with us on another occasion.

6. The Winners for our May Autumn Show were:

Best Dahlia	Brian Heath
Best Gerbera	Patrick Smith

Best Rose	Helen Murray
Best Chrysanthemum	Brian Heath
Best Bulbous Tuberous Rooted or Corm	Brian Heath
Best Pot Plant	Rod Nicholls
Best Fern	Helen Farley
Best Bromeliad	Helen Farley
Best Cacti	Helen Murray
Best Orchid	Glenda Imhoff
Best Fruit	Brian Heath
Best Vegetable	Ashley Haag
Best Floral Art	Helen Murray
Best Hanging Container	Rodney Nicholls
Best Miscellaneous Cut Flower	Helen Farley
Champion Cut Flower	Brian Heath
Best Exhibit	Rodney Nicholls
Most Overall Points	Brian Heath

7. Judges' Comments – Our Judges for the May Autumn Show were Amanda Meads and Meryl Windsor. Both Judges said that their task was very difficult, and Meryl said the exhibits were fantastic. She suggested perhaps that leaves with holes could be removed from the plant, but also after the rain and pest season we've had there are only so many leaves that can be cut from a plant. All in all, a fantastic effort. Amanda also said the exhibits were difficult to Judge and as exhibitors we may wonder why one is chosen over the other, but there are various things Judges look for like form in the pot etc. Again, the Judges said the task was difficult and judging very close. We thank our Judges and I think they also enjoyed the day.

8. Floral Art for June meeting will be –

- Vase of Flowers – water only
- Shades of Green
- Diagonal Design
- Elegance with Roses

9. **QCGC Friendship Day – Mt Coot-tha Auditorium** – Wednesday 26 June 2024 – 9.30 am for 10 am start – Guest Speaker – Arno King – no cost – bring a plate of finger food to share for lunch. Raffle & Lucky Door Prizes – **There is no limit on the number of members who can attend from any club.** Arno King - I'm sure all in the gardening world will know of Arno King. Arno will speak on "*Garden travel becomes garden inspiration.*" Let's have a good turn out from our Club. These days really are a lot of fun. We can car share if needed. I'll have room in my car. How about we put a table together of members from our club and all go to this event. RSVP is 19 June, so either let me know or I'll take names at the next meeting.

10. President Sandra will be away for our June meeting – so we all wish her a happy and safe holiday. (I'll be wearing Sandra's hat at the June 8 meeting.)

11. In June our speaker will be – Alexia Loader and Alexia will speak on Cordylines. (Plants for sale: tba)

12. **Projector/Screen purchase.**

Hopefully we should have our screen purchased before the next meeting.

13. **Pots**

I still have new black pots for sale – 4” at 10 for \$1.00 donation to the Club.

13. Happy Birthday Wishes – To members having a birthday in May & June – your Australian Native Birth flower for Waxflower. This is a small shrub that lived & easy to grow. The native bloom is Hardenbergia, which is more commonly known as Happy Wanderer or Purple Coral Pea.



May is Crowea Saligna or Pink Australian June birth flower

14. If you’ve been unwell, or under the weather, we send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

15. Newsletter - If you have anything of interest you’d like to share with members, or an event is happening you’d like to share, please let me know and I can share for you in our newsletter. Don’t forget it’s a club for everyone, if you have any ideas or things you’d like incorporated into our meetings, let us know and the Committee can have a chat about it for you.

16. Please continue to promote our Club and bring along like minded friends, neighbours anyone, you think may be interested in seeing what we do, if only as a visitor to listen to our speakers, and share a cuppa with us. See you all on 8 June.

Happy Gardening.

Helen.



Above, the Judges with some of the winners on the day.

Below left, Michelle our points Secretary, trying to avoid having her photo taken.



Rod's beautiful Aglaonema above.

