

IPSWICH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. GARDEN CLUB (founded 1866)

Welcome to the September 2024 Edition of our Newsletter.

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Afternoon Tea Convenor:	Veronika King/Tina Holland

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:





28 & 29 September	Ipswich Garden Spectacular – Silkstone State School
	Saturday 8.30 to 3 p.m.
	Sunday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Prospect Street, Silkstone)
5 October 2024	IHSI Garden Club Open Show/Market Day
12 October 2024	Marburg Garden & Outdoor Expo. (Marburg
	Showgrounds)



A big welcome to our visitors for our September meeting:

Gwenda Malcolm

Melissa Barton

Michelle Goulding

Michelle Coulson

IHSI (Garden Club) Newsletter – September 2024 We hope you enjoyed our meeting; we hope to see you back again at our future meetings. Welcome ladies. We'd love to see you visit our spring show – in the hall – with the market in the grounds (5 October)

To members absent last meeting due to illness, we wish you a speedy recovery.



Lucky Door winners were: Melisssa Barton and Helen Murray.

Raffle Winners were: Cheryl Kermond; Gwenda Malcolm and Lenora Neuendorff. (We love it when visitors win raffles and lucky door prizes). Congratulations to all!

No October formal meeting, but Spring Show and Market Day on 5 October at our hall. Judging begins at 9.30 a.m. Our set up of market day begins at 7 a.m.

Judges' Comments: (Noel and Heather Prior)

- 1. Noel said it was a lovely show bench.
- 2. He congratulated all members on the benches.
- 3. He asked us to ensure that we turned our pots regularly. He also thought that perhaps not all the exhibits in cactus and succulent section were in the correct categories according to their size (measure pots).
- 4. Noel said when exhibiting fruit and veg make sure you were exhibiting "market" quality products ie. That you would choose yourself when you were buying your own fruit and vegetables.
- 5. With respect to the exhibits of citrus, ensure that you leave a part of the stem attached to the exhibit.
- 6. (Remember members there is a copy of the Horticultural Judges Show & Judges Manual in the library. All members welcome to borrow this will give you a run down on what the Judges are looking for.)
- 7. Well done to everyone.

Judges' Selection for September meeting:

- > Best Miscellaneous Cut Flower: Dawn Jones
- Best Cut Flower: Patrick Smith
- > Best Exhibit of Show: Helen Murray with her superb orchid.

Judges for Spring Show will be: **Brian and Mary Burnell**. Our Judges are travelling down from Stanthorpe. We also have **Lee Thorneycroft** to Judge on the day. This will be a great day – Ashley tells me he will need two tables for his sweet peas alone. The hall will be awash with fragrance and colour.

(Members please be vigilant of your own personal items on the day – as members of the public will be perusing the hall.)

Floral Art for October Spring Show will be:

Vase of	Water only
Flowers	
Halloween	(accessories allowed)
Basic Modern	

Dining table	
design	

Guest Speaker

Rob Wilson (Mountain Man) was our guest speaker on 14 September at our meeting. Rob spoke of his love of native plants – in the Subtropical and Rainforest categories and how to use them in your garden designs.

There are 14,700.00 varieties of Native Plants in Queensland growing in a broad range of ecologies. Grevilleas are very popular with most people and a lot of hybrids have been developed from the Grevillea. Native Plants are great for our climate as they are already adapted to flood and drought. In Australia we love to see "green" in our gardens and this perhaps stems from our European heritage. Rob encouraged us to think of those beautiful brown and gold colours that shine through in the height of summer with for example, the beautiful banksia in flower. There are many natives to choose from, for example the Brisbane Lilly was one of the top runners in consideration for the Brisbane Floral Emblem. It is available in native nurseries and is great in our climate. The native violet is also great for our climate and free-flowering. There are also about 15 native hibiscus varieties in total. Rob talked about the beautiful Sydney Rock Orchid.



All varieties of this species are adapted to bright, almost full sun, low to moderate humidity, coarse, well-draining medium, and breezy areas with good airflow. Another suggestion was the native Clematis Vine. Rob recommended Paton Park Native Nursery and also Kumbartcho Sanctury and Native Nursery as suppliers and also suggested plant markets as good to source natives. He

suggested asking your local nursery to get in for you what you are after "Make your local nursery work for you". Another suggestion was the Brachychiton discolour or Native Lace Bark Tree which are native to Queensland and Northern New South Wales - or the native coleus or silver coleus which is a shrub to 1 metre. So, there were plenty of suggestions in Rob's talk and as he is our club's own honorary member, we will see Rob at our Spring Show and welcome him to Club again next year for another talk. Thank you, Rob.

MEMBER'S NEWS

Of interest one member read in latest Gardening Australia Mag. that not all Camelias are genetically stable, which means that some varieties are capable of changing colour unexpectedly, and the changes can be due to factors such as weather, temperature and soil conditions. They are also capable of reverting back to their original colour by themselves but no guarantees. (The miracle of nature I guess)

To those celebrating a birthday in September and October (and this includes President Sandra), many happy returns. Your native birth flower is

September – Paper Daisy

October - Wax Flower

Trophies: If you won a trophy last year, time to return to Patrick please.

Trade Table

Please feel free to bring things along you may wish to sell, may wish to donate for a donation to the Club, or cuttings you simply would like to share.

IHSI Garden Club, Spring Show and Market Day

<u>Saturday 5 October 2024</u> – As we already know, set up in our hall Friday 4 October 2024, from 4 p.m. (Members to sign the Sign in Book – both Friday and Saturday please for insurance purposes.)

This year we also have a photo competition, photos also to be attached to the photo board the afternoon before at set up. 8" x 6" with the themes being

- Spring in the Garden;
- Visitors in the Garden.

<u>Members</u>, <u>please bring a teapot with foliage or flowers for the stage set up on 4</u> <u>October</u>,. We will set the Floral Art along front of stage and a table for the flowering teapot display. Bring an empty tea pot even if it has no flowers.

Thank you to Charmaine and KYM (SANDRA'S daughter) for volunteering their time to set up the stage. The same goes for everyone helping with set up.

Everyone hopefully has their raffle tickets for our raffle for the Spring Show, and if you need more, ask Sandra and we can arrange to get them to you. All money and tickets, sold or not, back on 4 October, and at the latest 5 October – the draw will be at the conclusion of the Show (we now have 15 prizes).

The Market Day and Raffle twice a year are our main fund raisers to run our Club – let's make it even more successful than last time. We did so well with our Club last time, and we now have even more members and the club is growing, so let's do even better. If you want to donate to the stall and have nothing potted – think about baked goods perhaps, baking goes really quickly. Last Spring Market Day Ashley brought lots of bunches of Sweet Peas, and people are already asking on FB if there will be sweet peas for sale – Ashley's sweet peas, always a hit.

Morning Tea to be set up in the kitchen again for members only – and as usual please feel free to bring something to share for morning tea.

Remember to keep an eye out for our Zone co-ordinators who will arrive during the morning as well to say hi to our club. No doubt they will wear their badges – make them feel welcome – Jeanette & Erwin.

We have Councillor Jim Madden, our Patron, coming along to award prizes at the end, and he has a hamper for the overall winner.

Helen (F) will have incident report forms with her in the case there is an injury/accident.

We'll all help to clean up at the end – if you don't know where something belongs – ask someone – we had the case of the missing class cards last time – and I think this was just as a result of hurriedly packing away.

Vigilance – please be vigilant of your own possessions etc. as members of the public will browse the hall.



Due to our Spring Show – there will be no meeting in the hall on 12 October.

Our next meeting will be 9 November in the hall. Our usual set up is from 12.30 pm if members are benching, our meeting begins promptly at 1.30 p.m.

- The Frog Man is our Guest Speaker in November.
- Our Judge for November is David Stephenson.
- Helen Murray is bringing our Lucky Door for November.

The year has gone so quickly, before we know it will be ... dare I say it Christmas again.

Pohlman's Visit – 18th October (Friday).

Members can car-pool – we must be there promptly for 10 am when the train leaves – so endeavour to arrive earlier and you can browse their retail section open to the public before the train leaves. We have 23 travelling up so far. I need to let them know the day before our numbers – so we have spaces for 7 more on the train – if you'd like to come with us, or ask someone else to come. (Bring a drink and a hat – there's no facility at Pohlmans to purchase coffee etc. but there are toilets).

(address: 171 Redbank Creek Road, Adare – near Gatton). (Any questions give me a call – 0498 205705)

We then travel down the road to **Adare Nursery** (cash only). (Maybe bring a box if you wish to purchase.) On the way home we stop at Plainlands for coffee/lunch at Coffee Club.)

If anyone has any suggestions for club visits for next year – please feel free to suggest to us – we can see what interest there is from the members.

Some Photos from the last meeting:



















Some of our show bench.

(See you all at the Spring Show – Good Luck to everyone). Helen (F).