



IPSWICH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. GARDEN CLUB
(founded 1866)

Welcome to the JANUARY 2025 (Mini) Edition.

Website Link: <https://ipswichhortgardenclub.com.au>



	09 March 2024
Elected AGM	
Office Bearers 2024:	
Patron	Councillor Madden
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:	Sandra Harvey
Honorary Member	Rob Wilson (Mountain Man)
Stewards:	Ashley Haag Patrick Smith Sandra Harvey
Librarian:	Anita Dwyer
Raffle Convenor:	Patrick Smith/Colin Power
Afternoon Tea Convenor:	Tina Holland

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:



08 February 2025	IHSI Garden Club first meeting for 2025 Set up from 12.30 p.m.
14 & 15 February 2025	Beaudesert Districts Orchid & Foliage Society Event, Orchids, Ferns, Begonias, Bromeliads, Aroids & much more – Canungra School of Arts Hall, 3 Pine Street Friday, both days 8 am to 3 pm

12 April 2025	Ipswich Garden Spectacular Saturday 8.30 am to 3 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Silkstone State School \$5.00
12 April 2025	Begonias & More – Belmont Shooting Complex – 9 am to 3 pm \$4.00
03 May 2025	IHSI Autumn Show – set up from 7.30 am for Market Day Judging from 9.30 .m. Noel & Heather Prior to Judge
04 October 2025	IHSI Spring Show

Welcome Back

FIRSTLY, HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR MEMBERS AND WELCOME BACK FOR ANOTHER WONDERFUL YEAR FOR OUR CLUB AS WE CONTINUE TO ENJOY OUR MEETINGS, EACH OTHER'S COMPANY, MAKE NEW FRIENDS, LAUGH TOGETHER AND WELCOME NEW MEMBERS (AND OF COURSE, GROW AND COLLECT AND LEARN ABOUT MORE PLANTS).



Get Well !

To our members who have not been well over the Christmas break, sending our very best wishes for your speedy recoveries. I know Dawn has been unwell, and we look forward to Dawn improving and being back with us again this year.

Lucky Door
volunteers so
2025 meeting -
each bring a
(About \$20.00 is
For our newer
pop your name
lucky door prize.



Prize for February Meeting – We have **no**
far to bring a lucky door prize for February for our
Looking for two members please to volunteer to
lucky door prize for our February Meeting. ??
more than enough to spend on a Lucky Door Prize.)
members our roster is on the sign in table – simply
next to a month you'd like to volunteer to bring a

New Open Show Schedules for 2025

For those of you on email, new Open Show Schedules will be with you soon. These will replace the existing Schedules and will be used from the first meeting in February. So please toss out your old version when you receive the new. Dawn and Helen (M) have also created an exciting new **Floral Art Schedule** which will be attached to the New Schedule. It has something on it for everyone, and I encourage you all to have a go at the Floral Art. I remember a meeting when I first joined and I brought something for floral art – it was to be something suitable for a breakfast table as I recall. When I arrived at the meeting with entry, I looked at the entries and

thought – nope – and put mine on the floor under a table – I had a little white teapot with daises in it. Helen (M) said “*Whose is that under the table?*” and I had to confess – she asked me to get it and put it on the table and no ... Helen (M) was not the Judge at the meeting. Blow me down – I got best Exhibit of Show – I’m still in shock at that story – only goes to show – Gotta be in it, to win it and you never can pick what the Judge’s are thinking So have a go

New Novice Schedule for 2025 – This has slightly been altered and the newer version will be in the “Welcome Packs” – the Novice table is for members who feel less confident to enter in open class – but there are still trophies up for grabs. If you are a newer member to our club, there is always someone to help you – to gain confidence. Dawn Jones/Helen Murray are a wealth of knowledge or ask anyone really and if they can’t help you, they will point you in the direction of someone who can. If you have a novice schedule I will have copies of the updated version at the February meeting – just ask me for one.

Membership

We all know this is due at the February Meeting – if you wish, pay online before the Meeting - \$15.00 – save Patrick some time on the day – our bank details below:

Ipswich Horticultural Society Inc.

BSB: 633 000 A.C. 114 26755

- Our Judge for February will be our own lovely Helen Murray.
- Our Guest Speaker will be: TBA.

Apologies – Remember to let me know if you are not able to make a meeting – send me a quick apology.

AGM

March 2025 meeting – will be our AGM – don’t be put off by attending the meeting, we will still have a guest speaker, and the AGM usually takes about 10 or 12 minutes. We will still have our display benches and everything else will be the same. Councillor Madden will oversee the proceedings for us, and our Horticultural Judge in March will be Anne Baster¹. If you’d like to nominate for a position on the Committee – PLEASE DO SO. All positions will be declared vacant and thrown open.

Floral Art for February will be:

- 1. A Posy Bowl**
- 2. Flower Power**
- 3. Summer’s End**

Ipswich Show Society Gardens Project

Garden Sections Pollinator and edible spectacular garden - Ipswich Horticultural Society

At the last meeting (Ipswich Show Gardens Project), President Sandra and I asked that our Club be allocated a section to grow and we (our members) would grow what was needed for our section, and we have been allocated the above section.

¹ (I made an error in the December '24 Newsletter – it should have read “Anne Baster” and not “Helen Murray”, as Helen will Judge February 2025 for us.)

*This bed will be the first thing people see when they enter the showgrounds from the adjacent gate. It needs to face outwards towards people going past. The colours should harmonise, and the plants should be edible, or plants that attract pollinators. Planting to be in drifts rather than single specimens. Optional - It can demonstrate biodiversity and companion planting. Choose a selection from the following plants, or similar plants to create this area from **pineapple sage, salvias, cosmos, marigolds, zinnias, fancy nasturtiums, calendula, dahlia, swiss chard** ... I forwarded the email from Cameron Lund to you all at the end of last week – So far there has been little interest from members, and I know this is because you all have not read the email --- Kim Prince and Alexandra have volunteered to grow Nasturtiums and Marigolds – Thanks Kim and Alexandra. I have started with potting up Salvias. I have a list of volunteers of who is growing what – and I would like a few more to put their hands up please – let me know what you will grown.*

Remember to continue to encourage new members to our Club, the more the merrier, more friends, greater competition.

Afternoon Tea – Please feel free as usual to bring something small to share for afternoon tea. Tea and Coffee/Water is supplied – and it's always helpful if you wash and dry your own cup (excepting of course our invited Judges and Guest Speakers).

Library – Don't forget there is a copy of the Judge's Manual in our Library for you to borrow to read through for all the tips of what the Judges are potentially looking for – Our Library is available for all members to select magazines etc. and return the following month.

Call Out for your Content for our Newsletters -



Remember if you have anything interesting to share with members I am all ears Anything you'd like to share – please, let me know.

See you all on February 8.

Happy Gardening

Helen (F)