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### **Plant Sale Success!**

Our Fund-raising Plant Sale on the Corso was hugely successful – thank you everyone for supporting us and of course, our great volunteer team of members who made it possible.





So many plants to sell!



Sooner than we expected, they were sold.





Scenes from the day – browsing customers and selling members, and the raffle draw!





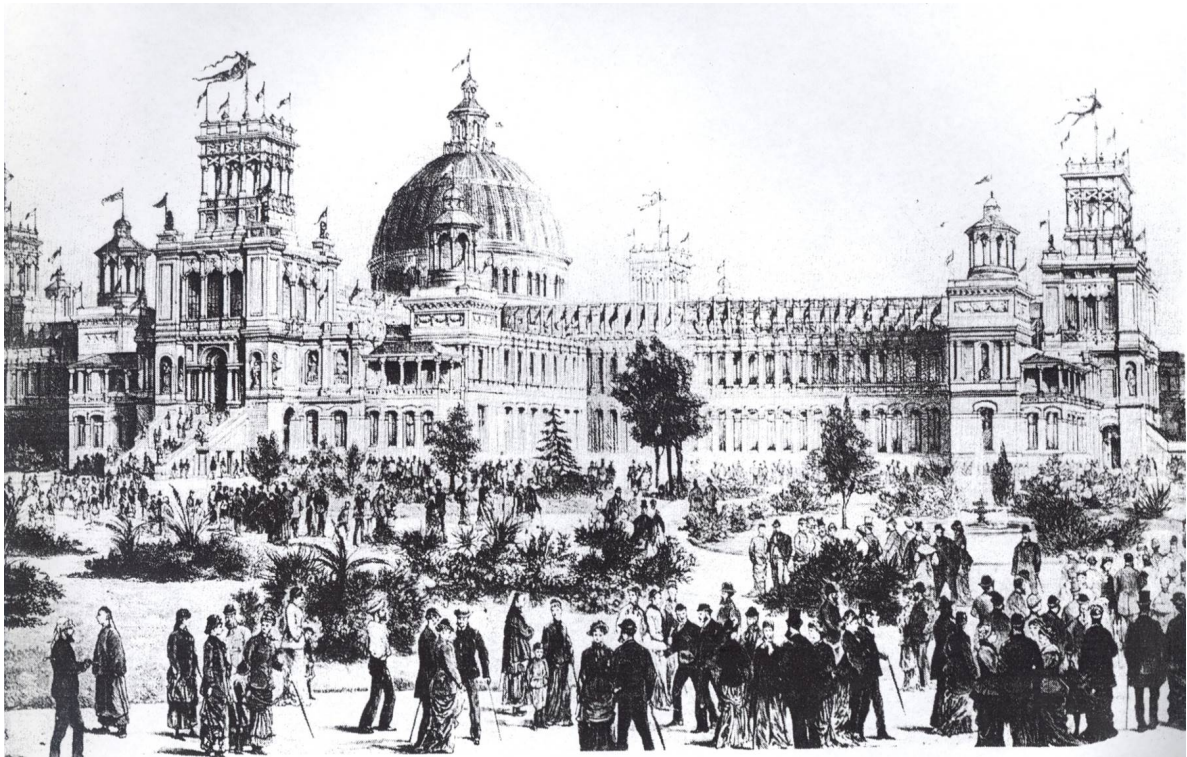
## Our June Get-together Suart Read on the 1879 Sydney International Exhibition in the Royal Botanic Garden

Stuart explained that Expositions are not a new thing having started in industrialised nations in the 1800's. Before this there were agricultural shows including in Australia many organised by the Agricultural and Historical Society including in Sydney in 1869, a show in Prince Alfred Park when a large pavilion called the Prince Alfred Park Pavilion was built, followed by a Colonial Exhibition in 1870 marking the anniversary of Captain Cook's landing at Botany Bay.



During the life of this exhibition pavilion from 1870 to 1954, Prince Alfred Park performed a major public function as a venue for important events and exhibitions. The building housed the War Memorial Museum from 1925 to 1936, when it moved to Canberra.

The first International Exhibition was held in Sydney in 1879 in the Domain – near the Mitchell Library. James Johnston Barnet designed a massive building called the Garden Palace. The nave of the building measured 800 x 60 feet and the transept ran for 500 feet. A large dome 100 feet in diameter rose 90 feet above the building.



There were 23 nations represented at the Exhibition: *Africa*: Cape Colony; *America*: Canada, United States; *Asia*: Ceylon, India, Japan, British Malaya, Singapore, Straits Settlement; *Europe*: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Switzerland; *Oceania*: Fiji, New Caledonia, New Zealand, and from the *Australian continent*, the Colony of New South Wales, Colony of Queensland, Colony of South Australia, Colony of Tasmania, and the Colony of Victoria. There were 9,345 exhibitors providing about 14,000 exhibits. Some of the exhibits eventually formed the Museum of Applied Sciences later becoming the Powerhouse Museum.

After the Exhibition the Garden Palace itself was used by the government to store many Aboriginal artefacts as well as census records. This building was pretty astounding in scale and impact; it put us on the world stage, and saw a number of long-lasting legacies, despite disappearing in a spectacular 1882 fire.



While much was lost in the blaze, much was not – and many state cultural institutions, statues and artworks grace our public buildings, public parklands as well as the train lines built to transport visitors to and from the site which was seen as an asset and additional lines were added around Sydney.

That is, we continue to benefit, today, in its wake.



Scenes of Stuart Read and part of our audience in the Lounge at The Manly Club on Gilbert Park where we held our June Get-together.



**July Get-together is on Tuesday, July 12  
at The Manly Club on Gilbert Park  
From 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

Again the State of Origin has sparked a move to a different night and location for our monthly Get-together. Our next meeting, on Tuesday, July 12, will be a great chance to be updated on the Ivanhoe Park Tree & Vegetation Management Plan, as well as to participate in our Annual General Meeting where you will hear updates on the past year and what is planned for 2022-2023.

We've broken the meeting down into three segments – see timings below – so it is a longer than normal and we will need to start at 6 p.m. instead of our usual 7 p.m. So come early and ensure you leave enough time to pick up your new membership card and booklet on the history of Manly, Ivanhoe Park and Ivanhoe Park Botanic Garden.

Many of us meet for dinner or grab a drink before we meet in The Lounge at The Manly Club.

	5 p.m.	Grab dinner or a drink
<b>Segment 1</b>	6 p.m.	President's Welcome and 2021-2022 annual reports
	7 p.m.	Quick break, maybe grab another drink
<b>Segment 2</b>	7:05 p.m.	Update on Ivanhoe Park's Tree & Vegetation Management Plan from our guest speaker, Robert Smart of Arterra followed by a Q&A
<b>Segment 3</b>	8:00 p.m.	Election of Executive Committee members for 2022-2023
	8:25 p.m.	Listen to what FIPBG has planned for 2022-2023
	8:30 p.m.	Meeting completed

**Note: Only financial members are able to vote for the Executive Committee**

**Does your membership need to be renewed?**

Our membership runs from July 1 to June 30 each year so some members will be due for renewal. We will be emailing you if that's the case.

Our membership fees have remained the same and remember that we have added a three-year option that many members have taken advantage of.

<b>Yearly membership</b>		<b>Three-year membership</b>	
Individual	\$25	Individual	\$70
Pensioner/Senior	\$20	Pensioner/Senior	\$55
Family	\$35	Family	\$100

Some of the benefits of becoming a member:

- Contribute to decisions on plantings, improvements and new facilities in the Botanic Garden.
- Have a front row seat at special events held in the Garden.
- Receive a Membership Card which can be used for discounts once planning and negotiations are completed with vendors.
- The opportunity to participate in subcommittees to work with the Executive Committee on various projects like our recent Tree Project.
- Learn how to be a Garden Tour Guide.
- Training so you can lead our Working Bees.
- Join our monthly Working Bees in the Garden.



## **Around the Garden – progress report on the stone bridge reconstruction**

There was careful maneuvering to ensure none of the roots of large trees around the stone bridge were damaged when a much wider pipe was fitted into the gully.



The sandstone blocks that were removed had been numbered so that they would be laid back in the same position.

The stonemason then had to cut each of these blocks to fit around the larger pipe. The heavy equipment the workers normally use to lift the blocks into place could not be moved safely in the Garden so they had to lift and carry each block themselves and fix in place. And these blocks are heavy!



Great job so far.





## Our two June Working Bees

**Saturday's Working Bee:** There was so much happening the in the Garden on Saturday.

Tasks and tools were assigned



*Kunzea ambigua* or tick bush was planted in the lower native garden



A member received WH&S induction

There was also training on our power tools



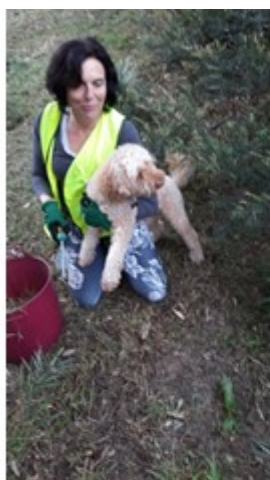
Our trainer



And action!



Some of the team at work



The end result



**Wednesday's Working Bee:** Worked continued with a few good men! Our Working Bee members, one of the stonemasons reconstructing the old stone bridge and our regular Council gardeners.





## The Tree of the Month Project – meet one of our *Melaleuca* trees



There are several *Melaleuca* or tea trees in the Garden. This month we are focusing on the Black Tea Tree. It produces quite beautiful clusters of white flowers in spring that attract birds and bees but perhaps the most interesting thing is anecdotal – sailors from the Endeavour in 1770 brewed tea from the leaves of one of the species of *Melaleuca* they came across.

### **Black Tea Tree**

*Melaleuca bracteata*

*Melaleuca* is derived from the Ancient Greek *mélas* meaning "dark" or "black" and *leukós* meaning "white" apparently because one of the first specimens described had fire-blackened white bark. The specific epithet *bracteata* is derived from the Latin word *bractea* meaning "bract" and refers to the flower clusters.

Also known as: River tea-tree or mock olive



Methyl eugenol, an essential oil, is obtained from the leaves and can be used in perfumery and soaps and also as an ingredient in order to increase the potency of some insecticides.

The tree can be used to provide shelter and for erosion control on stream banks and in gullies. The wood is durable so it can be used for posts and poles.

Go to our webpage to find out more about our wonderful trees. This link will take you there: [Our Trees](#).



**A really delicious way to support our efforts in Ivanhoe Park Botanic Garden throughout the entire month of July!**



Grill'd Restaurants have a wonderful way of giving back to the local communities who have given them so much. Called Local Matters, every month they split \$500 with three groups to put towards their cause. At the end of the month the jar with the most tokens receives \$300, the 2nd and 3rd are given \$100 each.

**For the month of July, we are one of the recipients!**

For every burger purchased at Grill'd Balgowlah during the month of July, eat in or takeaway, you will receive a token to pop into one of the jars in the restaurant (preferably ours ☺). If you prefer delivery, to get the token it must be ordered through the Grill'd app (not any of the other food delivery services) so download that app now so you're ready!



We hope you will support us by ordering a burger from Grill'd Balgowlah starting July 1. It's convenient, especially if you are shopping at Balgowlah Stockland and deliciously healthy (yes, healthy burgers). We will definitely see you there!

Check out the menu and Local Matters here:

<https://www.grilld.com.au/restaurants/new-south-wales/sydney/grilld-balgowlah>

## **Other News**

**AAFBG Newsletter:** Read their latest E-ucalypt newsletter:

<https://mailchi.mp/411713a307a7/e-ucalypt-news-20259281?e=b6c678fbbc>

**Good for Manly:** The future of Manly's popular community Hop, Skip & Jump bus is in doubt. Do you think service should remain? Please take a moment to email and let them know why:

[Councillors@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Councillors@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au).



## Dates for our upcoming Get-togethers and Garden Working Bees

### 2022 Monthly Get-togethers

**Changes will be coming to our monthly Get-togethers – stay tuned!**

Month	Date	Time
July	12 <sup>th</sup> Masterplan Update & AGM	6.00-8.30pm
August	No meeting	--

### 2022 Garden Working Bees

#### Saturday Working Bees 3rd Saturday of the month

Month	Saturday	Time
July	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-12.00am
August	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-12.00am
September	17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-12.00am
October	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.00-11.00am
November	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00-11.00am

#### Midweek Working Bees Wednesday after the Saturday Bee

Month	Wednesday	Time
July	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-12.00am
August	24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-12.00am
September	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00-12.00am
October	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00-11.00am
November	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00-11.00am

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