THE GARDEN CLUBS OF AUSTRALIA



A word from the President

Hello to all you keen gardeners.

I have pleasure in presenting the 2022 calendar and would like to extend my congratulations to all those involved in the production of this quality publication. The images displayed for the coming calendar year should serve to lift our spirits following some very difficult times for the community at large.

I would also like to thank those members of GCA affiliated clubs and subscribers of *Our Gardens* magazine for their contribution of the images included in the Calendar. These photos reflect the broad spectrum of garden styles and varying seasonal conditions across our diverse country.

The GCA's motto and objectives of extending "Friendship through Gardens" into the wider community for the benefit of all citizens, is beautifully illustrated in this calendar. I would also like to recommend another GCA publication "Our Gardens" which, if you have not already subscribed, is produced on a quarterly basis and contains many and varied articles, images and insights into all things gardening. Many Affiliates include the nominal subscription cost of the magazine in their annual membership fees so that all club members receive their own copy. A year's subscription can also make a wonderful gift.

All information relating to GCA services can be found on the GCA website www.gardenclubs. org.au and include details of our comprehensive insurance scheme, contact details of our 700 plus affiliates, committee member profiles, etc.

I trust that you will enjoy this Calendar as much as I do; why not send it to relatives and friends both here and overseas.

Happy Gardening

Lori Emerson President The Garden Clubs of Australia

Our Gardens quarterly magazine

Our Gardens is the quarterly magazine that has been produced by the Garden Clubs of Australia for more than two decades. Because the magazine is all put together by volunteers, it has an authenticity that can only come when people are contributing their personal experiences. The magazine is enhanced by the top quality photos that illustrate the articles and, most prominently, the front cover.

The great joy of *Our Gardens* is that it allows gardeners from all over Australia to share their joys and tribulations. It celebrates Australian gardening and also offers opportunities to learn from others' experiences. The magazine inspires and encourages both experienced gardeners and those who are just starting on their gardening journeys.

Our Gardens is a full colour, hard copy publication that is available by subscription, either through a GCA-affiliated club or by personal subscription for delivery to your home. A subscription makes an ideal gift for a gardening friend.

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Judy Horton Our Gardens Editor







The winners of the latest GCA Photo Competition

CATEGORY 1 Garden Scene: Janet Hayes





- Laburnum Walk, Dunedin, NZ
- 2 Garden visitors: Marilyn Harrigan *Our garden friend*
- 3 Abstract: David Kemp Railways and Roses
- 4 Close-up: Kevin Broady Callistemon sp.
- 5 Edible plants etc: Karen Miels Last of the Quinces
- 6 Junior: Eliezer Chaim Ballarat Botanical Gardens









Photos from the annual competition are regularly featured in each issue of the quarterly GCA magazine *Our Gardens*.

Details of the current Photo Competition and entry form can be downloaded from the GCA website *www.gardenclubs.org.au* or by emailing *photocomp@gardenclubs.org.au*

