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Grevillea chrysophaea – Golden Grevillea

This Month

NO MEETING FOR JULY

Please use the time to prepare some photos for the 2024 calendar, or even an article for the newsletter.

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As was decided at the June meeting, there will be no meeting in July. There is, however, a bit of information that needs to be passed on to you all, so I have decided to publish an abbreviated newsletter for July anyway.

Cathy has sent me her instructions for photos for the 2024 calendar. It is based on your garden and the photos need to be back to Cathy by the AGM in August. See page three for all the details and rules and start searching your old (up to 5 years) photos or get out snapping some new ones.

Now is a good time to remind all that the Annual General Meeting will be held in August and all positions are open for takers. If you would like to contribute to the running of our group, please consider nominating for a position.

Mary and I have been away touring in South Australia with Mike and Cathy, exploring some interesting conservation areas from the Little Desert in western Victoria, through Ngarkat Conservation Park, Gluepot Reserve, Red Banks Conservation Park and Mt Remarkable National Park. Many plants were seen, and birds and animals spotted. Here is a pictorial taste of some of the things we saw.



2024 Calendar Photo Submissions

By Cathy Beamish

The group has decided they would like another calendar as a fundraiser for 2024. Thanks to Marilyn's suggestion, I am going to go with a garden theme. That is, MEMBERS gardens! This means I would greatly appreciate each **household** sending me up to 5 photos of their garden. The photos could showcase just a small section of the garden or the whole garden.

There are some other rules that apply also:

- The plants in the photo must be Australian natives.
- It can depict Australian native animals (bugs included) showing appreciation of your garden.
- The photo can be up to 5 years old.
- It must be in focus.
- It must be high resolution.

I will then use editorial discretion as to whether I pick just one of your photos or all five. If you don't have a camera but have a newish phone, then you should still be able to take a good photo with good resolution. If you are struggling with taking the photo, please contact me so that we can assist.

Preferably, photos should be EMAILED to me by the AGM in August. If you have problems emailing them, bring your camera and connecting lead along to the AGM so that we can download directly to the computer.

Please note that Mike and I will be away till mid-July and may not have service in some places so please be patient should you require a response from me.

Looking forward to seeing all your pics.

2023 Latrobe Valley Group Events Calendar				
Month	Day	Date	Activity	Time
July	<i>NO MEETING</i>			
August	Thursday	10	<i>Annual General Meeting at 1:30PM in the Morwell Bowling Club meeting room. Optional lunch off the menu at 12 noon in Bistro.</i>	<i>12 noon</i>
Oct	Fri - Sun	20 to 22	<i>Possible trip to Blackwood/wombat State Forest/Melton Botanic Gardens to be confirmed.</i>	
Jan	Mon-Fri	15 to 19	<i>Trip to Mt Baw Baw staying at Edski Lodge. Pencil this one into your calendar.</i>	

Coming events of interest

Note: Please check the Vic APS website for cancellations before attending.,

22 & 23 July 2023 – Cranbourne Friends RBGV Autumn Plant Sale. 10 am to 4 pm. Wide range of plants, plant list available one week before sale. Website: rbgfriendscranbourne.org.au

2 September 2023 – APS Cardinia Region Group Plant Sale at Akoonah Park, Princes Hwy, Berwick, from 9 am to 3 pm. To be located in the undercover fruit and vegetable market area.

9 & 10 September 2023 – APS Yarra Yarra Australian Plants Expo. Eltham Community & Reception Centre, 801 Main Road Eltham. 10.00 am - 4.00 pm both days.

16 & 17 September 2023 – Angair Wildflower Show & Art Show, Anglesea Memorial Hall, McMillan Street, Anglesea. 10 am to 4 pm. Wildflower display, indigenous plant sales, art show and painting sales.

23 & 24 September 2023 – APS Bendigo Flower Show, Victory College, Kairn Road, Strathdale (Bendigo).

23 & 24 September 2023 – APS Grampians host APS Vic September COMM. To be confirmed.

30 September & 1 October 2023 – APS Grampians Group Pomonal Native Flower Show, Pomonal Hall.

7 October 2023 – APS Echuca Moama Native Flower Showcase, Echuca Masonic Lodge Hall, 426 High Street, Echuca. 9 am to 4 pm. Flower show, native plant sales, basket weaving display, floral art and painting sales.

14 October 2023 – APS Mitchell Plant Expo and Sale. Wallan Community Centre, Bentinck Street, Wallan. From 9 am to 3 pm.

21 & 22 October 2023 - APS Ballarat Spring Flower Show. Flower show, plant sales etc. Robert Clark Centre, Ballarat Botanic Gardens, Gilles Street, Ballarat. 10 am – 4 pm.

30 September to 4 October, 2024 – ANPSA 2024 Biennial Conference hosted by APS Victoria in Melbourne.

This is a photo of Warren Gorge near Quorn in SA. There is a yellow footed rock wallaby demonstrating how well camouflaged it is. Can you see it?



Rainfall for 2022 (in mm)

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Diane	Drouin (west)	67	30	81	94	60	170	90	198	60	172	193	89	1302
Brian	Drouin (east)	74	11	76	86	75	145	77	199	66	199	183	95	1286
Warren	Yarragon	107	5	55	68	58	191	97	163	64	144	196	107	1253
Wayne	Tanjil South	83	15	63	98	107	130	74	161	96	203	138	127	1295
Peter	Mirboo North	62	8	67	68	50	150	88	189	73	136	157	66	1113
Judy	Moe South	73	13	64	55	93	209	72	165	67	128	236	89	1264
Mike	Boolarra	72	6	74	60	54	162	69	166	66	119	168	94	1108
Mary	Jeeralang Junction	68	11	85	75	46	164	72	161	62	133	171	85	1131
John	Traralgon South	88	10	31	56	28	175	50	136	49	126	146	54	949

Rainfall for 2023 (in mm)

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Diane	Drouin (west)	21	42	101	112	114	102							491
Brian	Drouin (east)	22	44	110	93	118	101							488
Warren	Yarragon	49	35	80	69	119	138							490
Wayne	Tanjil South	25	43	100	77	131	126							502
Peter	Mirboo North	35	57	113	96	132								433
Judy	Moe South	26	33	80	66	126								331
Mike	Boolarra	20	43	114	61	113								350
Mary	Jeeralang Junction	24	36	94	65	122								341
John	Traralgon South													0

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Title page photo: *Grevillea chrysophaea* at Holey Plains State Park by Mike Beamish

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Thursday, August 10, 2023, 1:30pm

Morwell Bowling Club, 52 Hazelwood Rd., Morwell VIC 3840

Agenda

Attendance:

Apologies:

Confirmation of previous AGM Minutes:

Business arising from previous AGM:

Correspondence:

Business arising from Correspondence:

Reports:

Election of Office Bearers:

General Business:

All committee positions become vacant. Please consider whether you can provide assistance in any of the positions; Leader, Deputy Leader, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Website Officer and Librarian. Nominations for the positions will be received immediately prior to the election for each position. If you are unable to attend the AGM and wish to nominate for a position, please advise the Leader in writing or by email prior to the AGM.