



## MAY MEETING

**Wednesday 22 May, 2024**

Knox Park Primary School, Kathryn Rd,  
Knoxfield. 7.45pm.

### Members Meeting: Five Slides

Yes, its “Five Slides” time again!  
Some of the rules and technical stuff has been updated from previous years.  
Please see page 3 for more details on how to contribute and join in the fun.



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## On the Bench

Find out more about what happens to the specimens you bring in for the bench each meeting on page 6.

## Working Bee

**Saturday 18 May, 2024**

**10 am to 12 noon**

Knox Park Primary School, Kathryn Rd,  
Knoxfield.

Gardening, good company and a shared morning tea afterwards!

Sounds like the perfect thing to be doing on a Saturday morning, so... looking forward to seeing you there!

Bring: secateurs, gloves, and weeders/trowels. (we have access to other gardening equipment at the school).

## ANPSA early-bird registrations still open

Early-bird registrations for the ANPSA Conference, 30 September to 4 October, 2024, are still open.

Visit the website for more details:  
<https://www.anpsa2024conference.com/>

## Hi Everyone,

I finished my report for April at the end of March before flying out to Tasmania for a week. By Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the rain came down. Big time, as they say. What a difference a few days can make. Now the rock-hard soils I was contending with in the new section of garden are so sodden I'm digging the holes and leaving them exposed to dry out a bit before planting. Still no complaints because the season has broken, the garden is relieved and revived. So am I.

Spare a thought for Perth where the rainfall to the end of April is a mere 19.2mm with the dams about 40% full. More salutary is their rainfall total – since the end of August 2023, a mere 19.2mm more, or a total of 38.4mm for the last 8 months. In contrast, much of the east coast of Australia, from Queensland down, has been wet, wet, wet.

Since writing about my exciting new garden renewal project in the last newsletter, the area has expanded considerably. I really wasn't wanting any more work but a very large hakea, *H. pycnoneura*, uprooted adjacent to the new section. It was probably made vulnerable by changed circumstances, wet soil and wind – the domino effect of gardening. The hakea didn't die as a result of toppling, so I went through a phase of denial, a state brought on by the overwhelming scale of the task. For a while I was kidding myself, I could get away with doing nothing. You know there is fight and flight as a response to stress. This was the equivalent of flight. I have calmed down and the plant has now been removed, and I'm just waiting for it to be chipped up. It will then have a second life of sorts mulching the garden. Now to the task of problem solving what to do with the area in terms of plants. I'm already getting excited about the possibilities.

I missed Bill's talk last month due to illness. Knowing he was giving the same talk to the Waverly group in April, I contacted them to ask if I could come along as a visitor. The answer of

course was yes. If you are not already aware, it is generally possible to attend other group's meetings as a visitor, although I would advise contacting them in advance as a courtesy and in case there are changes that you may not be aware of.

Since the last Foothills newsletter another ANSPA Conference Newsletter has been loaded onto the website. Check it out.

### New Members

We now have three new members who signed up during MIFGS – Kristi Morgan, Beck Weston and Emma Morgan. They are sisters keen to learn more and explore their interest in Australian plants. Kristi and Beck came to our last meeting which we hope will be the first of many more.

It was also the first time Brenda Martin was able to attend a meeting with us. She has recently shifted from Frankston and is a member of the Peninsula group, although soon to be officially on our books. Foothills is a friendly group and I know you will make them all welcome.

### Sale of Book Collection

With this newsletter we have also attached a list of books for sale. These books are the property of one of our long-term members Ngaire Turner, who will be known to many of our Foothills members. Ian Turner is offering these books for sale on behalf of his mother. There are suggested prices from booksellers against some of them as a guide. Others have no suggested price so you can make an offer.

If you are interested in any of the titles, the sale of these books and arrangements for their collection can be made by directly contacting Ian Turner at [merriann2@netspace.net.au](mailto:merriann2@netspace.net.au)

### Chris Larkin

## **FIVE Slides meeting**

### **Wednesday, 22 May, 2024**

This is a favourite members' meeting and always great fun, so you are encouraged to participate. Please note that some of the rules and technical stuff has changed slightly from previous years.

#### **How it works:**

- 1) Bring along FIVE slides to the meeting. They don't necessarily have to be plant related, although we do love plants and plant-y things!
- 2) You can select your slides to fit a theme or they can be a random selection of images.
- 3) On the night, be prepared to tell us a bit about each slide and/or why you chose it.

#### **Rules and technical stuff:**

1. Please come to the meeting earlier than you usually do, especially if you have slides/images to share. NB: Our meetings start at 7.45 pm so we need plenty of time to load your images or slide presentation onto the computer.
2. Bring your slides on a USB on the night. Slides can be presented as single images in a folder, or you can put your images into a PowerPoint presentation.
3. Images in a **PowerPoint** presentation. You are allowed to show five slides, with up to two images per slide.  
Note that more than two images on a slide lose definition and are difficult to see.  
Each member also deserves a close-to-equal amount of time to talk about their slides, so please be respectful of the image limitation per slide.
4. **Single images** in a folder.  
If you don't have your images in a PowerPoint presentation, then you are allowed to show up to seven images.

5) If you are unable to bring your images on a USB, then you can email them to me (Janet) at [foothills@apsvic.org.au](mailto:foothills@apsvic.org.au)

**NB:** If you are emailing your images to me, then it is important that you get them to me no later than the day before the meeting please, so that I have enough time to download them.  
Due to work commitments and having to set the room up for our meeting, I am unable to download emailed images on the day of the meeting.

\* The cut-off time for emailing images is 8 pm Tuesday 21 May.

#### **Some ideas for themes:**

- \* Your 5 favourite plants for this time of year.
- \* What's looking gorgeous in your garden.
- \* A favourite group of plants.
- \* Plants that have special meaning for you.
- \* Unusual plants you have come across.
- \* Nature photos.
- \* Photos from your travels.
- \* Things that interest you.

Looking forward to seeing your slides!

**Janet Hodgkiss**

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## April meeting report: Alexandra Stalder – Plants of the Victorian High Country

What a treat to have Alex Stalder talk to us about her beloved High Country. We learned about vegetation zones and got to see different types of plants that we might not have seen in other presentations. Some plants are well known and fairly common, while many others are rare and/or endangered. Alex's enthusiasm for the mountains and the plants was clearly evident and we were spellbound right from the very first slide – a classic High Country view of mountains and wildflowers.



**Wildflowers at Mt Hotham looking towards Mt Feathertop** (Photo: Alex Stalder)

A helpful diagram outlined how the High Country is characterised by distinct altitudinal zones, and Alex said you can see where the zones change as you drive up into the mountains because the vegetation communities are different depending on the zone.

The altitudinal zones are divided into the lower elevations, montane, subalpine and alpine. The lower elevations, around 900m above sea level, include the lower slopes and tablelands, and in Victoria this is where you find the foothills and the lower elevation forests. In the montane zone the temperatures are cooler and precipitation is a bit higher but there is still forest.

At about 1500m the subalpine zone starts, and this is where you find the snow gums. Low temperatures are experienced year-round in this zone and you get places with frost hollows where no trees grow.

At about 1800m you get into the true alpine zone, above the tree line and persistent snow in winter and spring.

Another diagram showed that there is variation in the vegetation communities within the zones, such as the alpine bogs and alpine herb fields. Alex said the alpine bogs are good places for finding interesting plants, although they are under threat from deer and feral horses which do a lot of damage to the vegetation.

If you're keen on seeing summer wildflowers in areas like Lake Mountain, Alex says it's better to go early in the season (November, December, into early January) because the plants flower earlier at these lower elevations. A typical roadside view when driving to Lake Mountain are the colourful purple and yellow flowers of *Prostanthera melissifolia* and *Daviesia laxiflora* (a pea flower that looks like an acacia but isn't).

We then quickly discovered that Alex has lots of favourite plants! One of these is *Arenaria nivea*. It can also be seen at Baw Baw and Falls Creek. Alex says you usually only see a few of these, as it's not common and is endangered.

The Baw Baw plateau is similar to Lake Mountain, both being at not quite at alpine altitudes. The vegetation communities are subalpine and montane, and it's a good place to see *Nothofagus cunninghamii*, the Myrtle Beech. The Baw Baw vegetation evolved in isolation from the other areas so there are quite a few endemic species such as *Wittsteinia vacciniacea* and *Gentianella bawbawensis*.

The Baw Baw Pepper, *Tasmannia vickeryana*, is smaller and more compact than the other species we are used to and is only found on the Baw Baw plateau. *Pentachondra pumila*, Carpet Heath, is a prostrate mat-forming shrub and is another endangered species found growing in the high subalpine area. Plants are often seen with ripening fruit alongside the white flowers.



***Pentachondra pumila* Carpet Heath**  
(Photo: Alex Stalder)

Alex showed us the range of plants to be found in the Mt Buller, Mt Stirling and Mt Buffalo areas, and we found out that the Mt Hotham and Dinner Plain area are home to another couple of Alex's favourites, Mueller's Snow-Gentian and the Silver Ewartia.

The Snow-Gentian is one of the latest flowering species in the seasons and you'll find them in February/March.



***Gentianella muelleriana* subsp. *muelleriana***  
**Mueller's Snow-Gentian** (Photo: Alex Stalder)

The Ewartia is a true alpine species, forming silvery grey carpets with tiny flowers only a few millimetres across. It's found in Mt Hotham and Falls Creek, and in other areas above the tree line and across the Bogong High Plains. It flowers in December-January but looks spectacular all year round.



***Ewartia nubigena* Silver Ewartia or Australian Edelweiss** (Photo: Alex Stalder)

Alex took the time to highlight the challenges plants have had to adapt to, and overcome, in the High Country. An extremely short growing season, means plant growth is rapid, so that plants can grow, flower and set seed. Seeds are dormant over winter and require stratification to germinate (the moist cold conditions under the snow and ice provide this), and some plants will regrow vegetatively. Snow and ice can break stems so some plants have flexible stems, and the strong winds encountered have resulted in growth form and size adaptations. Shorter daily photosynthetic periods, means alpine plants are able to optimise photosynthesis at lower temperatures. Needle ice in the ground expands and pushes roots up out of the ground, so early development of roots in seedlings is critical. Water is also locked up in snow and ice, so plants have had to develop drought tolerance and cold hardiness.

We also had a look at some of the plants found at Falls Creek, the Nunniong Plateau and Cobberas Range, as well as some useful resources which rounded out an excellent talk.

**Janet Hodgkiss**

## On the Bench

In case you're wondering, at the end of each meeting when you see me with the big black bag collecting whatever plant material is left over, I don't just dump it all the bin. I take it home and if there are still flowers, or nice bits of greenery amongst the bits and pieces, I pop those into a vase while the scrappy bits go into my compost/green waste.

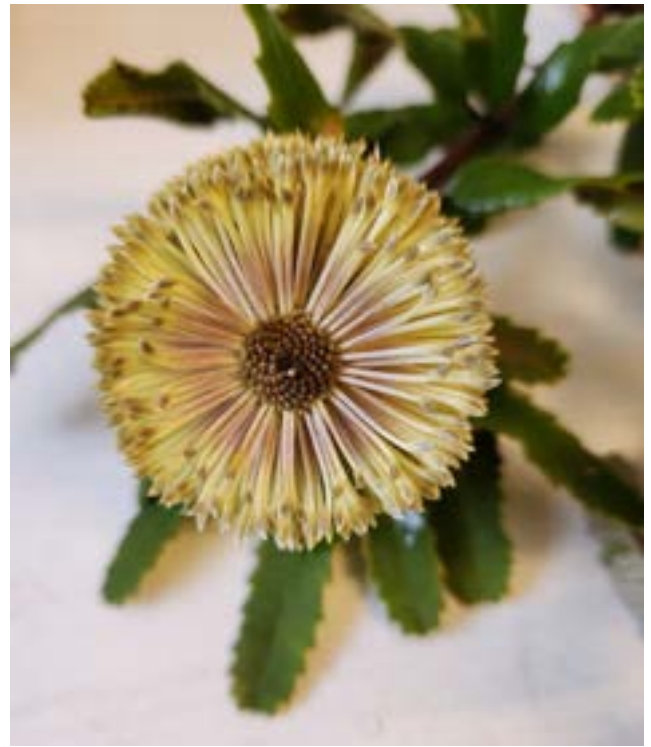
Here are a few of the specimens that were on the bench and which eventually came home with me in the black bag. Some of them were held up and discussed, while others you see here may not have got a special mention. I think you'll agree, despite the time of year, we had a rather colourful range of plants on the bench at our last meeting – see the picture below!



### Flowers from your gardens!

(Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

We had a few members of the Proteaceae, *Banksia* 'Coastal Cushion', *Banksia* 'Golden Candles', and *Banksia paludosa* dwarf. The latter has a delicate pinkish mauve tinge around the centre in the young flower heads which Chris pointed out to us.



### *Banksia paludosa* Dwarf form

(Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

*Grevillea* 'Ned Kelly' and a couple of other familiar grevilleas rounded out the family.



### L: *Grevillea* 'Lady O' and R: *Grevillea rhyolitica* Deua Flame

(Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

*Grevillea* 'Lady O' and Deua Flame featured as they often do – they are perennial favourites and seem to flower almost continuously. Chris has written at length about *Grevillea* 'Lady O' and *Grevillea rhyolitica*, also known as Deua Flame and her articles on these Grevilleas and other rhyolitica hybrids can be found in our May 2022 and March 2024 newsletters.



**Alyogyne wrayae** (Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

According to Florabase, *Alyogyne wrayae* is an upright, spreading, spindly, shrub to 4m (H). Mauve, purple, blue or white flowers appear in May or from August to November. There is a cultivar of this, *Alyogyne wrayae* 'Blue Heeler', which is a low-growing, more compact form. This specimen looks like that cultivar. It grows 30-50cm (H) and 0.5-1m (W). Sunny position, in moist but well-drained soil.

Correas are starting to 'do their thing'. We had one of the 'Chimes' series of Correa and two lovely pink ones on the bench, *Correa* 'Catie Bec' and *Correa pulchella* 'Little Cate'.



***Correa* 'Little Cate'; *Correa* 'Catie Bec'**  
(Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

*Correa* 'Little Cate': Small, naturally compact shrub, 0.6m (H) x 1m (W). Masses of pink bell-like flowers, winter to spring. Part shade (will still flower in shade), and also handles part sun

positions. Tolerates frost well. Prune after flowering for a denser habit.

*Correa* 'Catie Bec': Small shrub, 1.5m (H) x 1.5m (W). Gets covered in pale pink star-shaped flowers. Sunny to shaded positions; acidic to alkaline soils. Noted to be a tough shrub, grows and flowers well, and is good for coastal areas. Well drained soil. Makes a great container plant. Prune lightly after flowering if required.

We had a couple of correas with interesting green to greenish-yellow flowers. While the following two shrubs may not have "Wow!" or "stop-in-your-tracks" flowers they have plenty to offer in terms of foliage interest, hardiness, and general landscape usefulness.



***Correa bauerlenii* Chef's Cap Correa; *Correa lawrenceana*** (Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

*Correa lawrenceana*, Mountain Correa: Shrub 0.3-16m (H). While this height range may seem incredible (and not very useful to a gardener!), it is a widespread species, occurring in the forests of Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales ACT, and Queensland, and the different growing conditions found in these areas will have an impact on the growth habit. Heights reported are based on, or related to, wild-growing plants. In a garden situation, conditions are different again, and if you regularly prune it, you will also have a different outcome. VicFlora says shrub or small tree to 16m; ANPSA website says small to medium shrub up to 3m; PlantNet NSW says shrub or small tree 0.6-9m.

Whatever it's height, its usefulness as a garden subject lies in the fact that it is suited to a cool, moist, partly shaded position and is known to tolerate frost and snow. It makes a good screening plant and the nectar-rich, greenish

yellow flowers will attract honeyeaters to the garden. Flowers can also be pink or red.

*Correa baeuerlenii* Chef's Cap Correa, is a dense rounded shrub 1-2m (H) x 1-2m (W), and is endemic to the south-east of NSW. It has glossy green leaves, that are lighter beneath, and red stems. It keeps its dense foliage down to ground level. The greenish-yellow flowers (autumn through to late winter) have a distinctively shaped calyx that gives rise to the common name of Chef's Cap Correa. Flowers are popular with nectar-feeding birds. It is cold hardy, likes a shady, protected position, and a reasonable amount of water. Once established, it can tolerate extended dry periods.

Other flowers/plants you may be able to spot in the picture that shows the posy of flowers are: *Crowea* 'Ryan's Star' (pink starry flowers); *Westringia fruticosa* (pale mauve/blue flowers) *Chrysocephalum apiculatum* and *Goodenia amplexans*, both with cheerful yellow flowers.

### Bench labels

Thank you for the labels, our job's made easy,  
Thanks for all the plants you bring in  
Dum de dum dum dum...

*If you now have ABBA's Thank you for the music melody running through your head – sorry!*

But seriously, thank you so much to everyone who brings in plants for our bench (even when the time of year is not conducive to there being much in flower), and thanks too for putting names on the specimens.

Having the plants labelled is a great help to whomever is presenting the bench plants for us, as we may not always know all the plant names, and it helps that person to not feel so intimidated. When we go up to look at the plants more closely afterwards, seeing the written plant name also helps fix it in our mind which in turn makes it easier to go home and read up more about them. For those who wish to take cuttings of bench material, having the

written name is also very helpful – you then know exactly what you will be trying to grow!



**Bench plant labels** (Photo: Janet Hodgkiss)

The labels aren't, or don't have to be, fancy either – I've noticed for ages how resourceful and mindful of waste members are when labelling their specimens, so I took a photo to show the rest of you, in case you hadn't noticed this. Scrap bits of paper, old envelopes, and brown paper has been used to provide the names of plants, and they were either stapled or sellotaped onto the specimens.

TIP: If you do take bench plant material to make cuttings, it is a good idea is to recut it as soon as you get home and stand it in water overnight. I've done this with sometimes quite droopy specimens and the next morning they are usually perky as!

**Janet Hodgkiss**



## Summer Garden

The consistent rain over the last months is showing in the exuberance of the flowering (and the weeds). Our records say that it has been the wettest January since 2005, more than two and a half times the average. My *Corymbia ficifolia* (Flowering Gum) which is a dark red, flowers about every second year even though it is not that suited to our hillside; it leans to the sun.

Also, the *Persoonia pinifolia* (Pine-leaved Geebung) which can grow to about 4m and is a soft, light green, shapely small tree, shows it's magic every second year. Apparently the fruit is edible but only ripens after it has fallen to the ground and turns dark purple/black. Some have an apple crumble-like taste, some are astringent. Roasted seeds can be cracked and eaten.

## Late Summer-Autumn Garden

In mid to late March, I had been watching the Grey Fantails that had returned in numbers; they were sharing the birdbaths with the Thornbills, taking turns to splash and fluff and then dash into the cover of the *Kennedia nigricans* (Black Coral Pea) that has been growing over the dead *Exocarpus cupressiformis* (Cherry Ballart). I was walking past and, low and behold, to my enormous delight, a Yellow Robin was perched on the edge of the birdbath! We haven't seen these birds here in many years.

And the Superb Fairy Wrens are back too. I had been bemoaning their loss in the last few years and now their soft chirruping was a welcome sound coming from the large clump of *Pandorea pandorana* 'Lady Di', a large white form and *Hibbertia scandens* (Snake Vine) intertwined, a safe haven for them.

Pied Butcher Birds nested close by to the house so we had four hungry birds hunting here. During summer, our huge butterfly population was fair game and I saw them chase and catch butterflies several times. The Common Brown butterfly (*Heteronympha merope*), which is

abundant and the beautiful Imperial White or Imperial Jezebel (*Delias harpalyce*), a large, colourful butterfly with red, yellow and black and a whitish blue on the outer side when in flight, were very active. *Leptospermum petersonii* (Lemon-scented Teatree) is listed as an adult food plant of which we have an enormous bush.



*Banksia spinulosa* (Photo: Monika Herrmann)

As I write, such welcome, soaking rain is falling; the planting is on! Now I can finally find places and fill the gaps with propagated plants and some bought; that's no doubt, something everyone is doing.

Everything is looking lush and the banksias have been well and truly out, several *Banksia spinulosa* (Hairpin Banksia) in particular, are quite stately. The *Epacris longiflora* (Fuchsia Heath) make a friendly entrance at the back door (late April).

And now we've already progressed into May!



*Epacris longiflora* (Photo: Monika Herrmann)



**Bread Fungus** (Photo: Monika Herrmann)

On my early morning walk in the garden, with foggy areas still spreading over Ferntree Gully, a pair of Scarlet Robins was busy feeding, flitting from branch to the ground. What a delight to see them again! That's another species with a long absence from our garden. The male is so bold and bright and the female so delicate with her dusky orange-pink breast.

It's good to take time to really enjoy the garden, apart from all the hard work. I'm sure that you will agree.

**Monika Herrmann**



**Seed pods of *Rhodadendron lochiaie***  
(Photo: Monika Herrmann)

## Lost Property

This *Prostanthera nivea* was left behind after our April meeting. It was someone's raffle win. If it was yours, it'll be at the May meeting for you to claim.



## Neutrog Register

As members of APS district groups, we can access special prices on orders placed directly with Neutrog. When members join or renew membership, and when they tick the Neutrog box, a list of those members is then forwarded to Neutrog so that special pricing can be validated on members orders.

John King has agreed to maintain this register with Neutrog, so that District Group secretaries do not need to make separate contact with Neutrog to update the register.

Should members wish to withdraw from Neutrog, they can do this at any time via email to John King: [webadmin@apsvic.org.au](mailto:webadmin@apsvic.org.au)

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## MEETINGS

Venue: Knox Park Primary School, Kathryn Rd,  
Knoxfield. (Melway 73 C3)

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month (Feb-Nov)

Time: 7.45pm

## Newsletter Contributions

Please email contributions for the next newsletter to Kerry Davis by no later than:  
8pm Monday 3rd June 2024.

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## VISITORS WELCOME!

<b>APS Foothills Calendar 2024</b>			
<b>2024</b>	<b>Date</b>		<b>Topic</b>
<b>May</b>	22	Wednesday	Member's Meeting – Five Slides
<b>June</b>	26	Wednesday	Jason Caruso – Small Eucalypts
<b>July</b>	24	Wednesday	AGM & Trivia
	27	Saturday	Winter Working Bee: Knox Park Primary School 10.00 am – 12 noon <i>(to be confirmed)</i>
<b>August</b>	28	Wednesday	Paul and Sue Birch – Dandenong Ranges <i>(speaker and topic to be confirmed)</i>
<b>September</b>	25	Wednesday	Deb McMillan – Garden Design <i>(topic to be confirmed)</i>
<b>October</b>	23	Wednesday	Jean Bellis – Geraldton to Perth
<b>November</b>	27	Wednesday	Chris Larkin – Melaleucas
<b>December</b>	7	Saturday	End of year get-together <i>(venue to be confirmed)</i>



**Actinotus helianthi** (Photo: Kerry Davis)

## Shows, conferences, plant sales and other items of interest

11 May 2024 – APS Victoria Committee of Management Meeting. Host: APS Mornington Peninsula, Fenton Square; Seaford Banksia Arboretum visit in the afternoon.

11 May 2024 – APS Melton Bacchus Marsh Plant Sale, at St Andrews Uniting Church, Bacchus Marsh, 9 am to 1 pm. For more details contact David Pye, Ph 0417 289 369.

15 June 2024 – Gardener's Day Out: Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria, 8 am to 4 pm. See <http://www.rhsv.org.au/> for more details.

30 June – Cranbourne Friends RBGV, 2pm, Auditorium at the Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne, 1000 Ballarto Road, Cranbourne. Talk by Dr Garry Price on Alf Salkin's banksias and Cranbourne's Special Collections. In his presentation Dr Garry Price will explore the significant contributions that Alf Salkin made to botany, conservation and environmental education, including his establishment of the Special Collections Area at Cranbourne Gardens. Preceding the talk, at 10 am, the Friends are also offering a guided bush walk to the Special Collections Area.

Costs: Afternoon presentation \$25 (non-member) \$20 (member) \$10 (student). Morning bush walk (must also attend Afternoon presentation) \$25 (non-member) \$20 (member) \$10 (student concession). Find out more and book: <http://thq.fyi/se/89a4b2bd39db>

27 and 28 July 2024 – APS Victoria Committee of Management Meeting. Host: APS Bendigo, including full weekend of activities.

5 September 2024 – Wimmera Biodiversity Seminar. Further details to follow.

7 September 2024 – APS Mitchell Expo and Plant Sale, Wallan Multipurpose Centre, Bentinck Street, Wallan.

14 & 15 September 2024 – APS Yarra Yarra Australian Plants Expo. 10 am to 4 pm. Eltham Community and Reception Centre, 801 Main Rd, Eltham.

21 & 22 September 2024 – APS Grampians Pomonal Native Flower Show, Pomonal Hall.

21 & 22 September 2024 – 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.



30 September to 4 October, 2024 – ANPSA 2024 Biennial Conference, The Round, Nunawading, Melbourne. Host: APS Victoria. Includes AJ Swaby address (3.30 pm 2 October) by Phillip Johnson: Chelsea Flower Show and Garden Design. For more information see: <https://www.anpsa2024conference.com/>

5 October 2024 – Echuca Moama Native Flower Showcase. Details to follow.

12 & 13 October 2024 – Cranbourne Friends RBGV Spring Plant Sale. 10 am to 4 pm. Wide range of plants, plant list available one week before sale. Web: [rbgfriendscranbourne.org.au](http://rbgfriendscranbourne.org.au)

23 and 24 November 2024 – APS Victoria Committee of Management meeting and APS Victoria AGM. Host: APS Wangaratta. Dates to be confirmed.

2025 15<sup>th</sup> FJC Rogers Seminar 2025 on Epacridaceae hosted by APS Mornington Peninsula.

2026 ANPSA 2026 Biennial Conference, planned to be held in Alice Springs.

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