

# RUNNING POSTMAN

Australian Plant Society – Melton & Bacchus Marsh Inc

## NEWSLETTER MAY 2022

### MEETING SCHEDULE

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month  
Time: 8pm (doors open from 7.30pm)

Address:  
Botanica Springs Community Centre  
249 Clarkes Rd  
Brookfield VIC 3338

### MELTON – BACCHUS MARSH EVENTS

#### SATURDAY 14 MAY

9AM – 1PM

#### APS MELTON & BACCHUS MARSH PLANT SALE

ST ANDREW'S UNITING CHURCH  
18 GISBORNE ROAD, BACCHUS MARSH  
(MEL333 J6)

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#### WEDNESDAY 18 MAY

7.30PM

#### MELTON – BACCHUS MARSH MONTHLY MEETING

TOPIC: WEEDS – talk by Roger MacRaidl

### OTHER EVENTS

#### SATURDAY 7 MAY

10AM – 3.30PM

#### APS MORNINGTON PENINSULA PLANT SALE

THE BRIARS, NEPEAN HWY MT MARTHA

#### SATURDAY 25 & SUNDAY 26 JUNE

10AM – 4PM

#### APS BALLARAT WINTER FLOWER SHOW

ROBERT CLARK CENTER, BALLARAT  
BOTANICAL GARDENS GILLES STREET,  
BALLARAT

#### SATURDAY 27 & SUNDAY 28 AUGUST

10AM – 4PM

#### APS YARRA YARRA DISTRICT GROUP AUSTRALIAN PLANTS EXPO.

10AM-4PM

ELTHAM COMMUNITY & RECEPTION CENTRE, 801 MAIN ROAD, ELTHAM

### NEXT MEETING

**ROGER MACRAILD** (Moorabool Landcare Network Facilitator & Nurseryman) to discuss:

- The environmental and garden weeds, with some suggestions on how to control them
- He will bring in samples to assist in identification (members are welcome to also bring specimens for identification)

### FLOWER TABLE

- In abeyance due to an unsettling couple of years, it is time to reactivate the flower table.

\*\*Members are asked to bring in specimens from their garden for display.



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## APRIL MEETING – REPORT BY BARB PYE

**Neil Marriott**, who is an authority on the genus *Grevillea*, gave us an interesting overview of what the botanists are deciding with regard to recognition of new species of *Grevillea*.

A few years ago, there was a push by some botanists to lump together *Grevillea* and *Hakea*, but fortunately for everyone interested in horticulture they will remain separate. An interesting question at the end of the talk was “What makes a grevillea a grevillea?” To separate a hakea from a grevillea, the simplest way is to look at the fruits. *Hakeas* have a woody nut while grevilleas have a leathery seed capsule.

There have been many new additions to the genus *Grevillea* in the past few years, and some old names have been reinstated. Despite there being few botanists researching the genus, there are now over 400 species, and a lot of potential species remain undescribed.

Some of the new additions since Marriott and Olde’s 3 volume *Grevillea Book* produced in 1995 are *Grevillea nivea*, *Grevillea maccutcheonii* and *Grevillea rhyolitica*. *Grevillea victoriae* has been completely revised and divided into many new species.

We thank Neil for a very interesting and enjoyable talk.

## GREVILLEAS OF INTEREST



GREVILLEA MACCUTCHEONII



GREVILLEA NIVEA



GREVILLEA RHYOLITICA



GREVILLEA RHYOLITICA YELLOW



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**EUCALYPT FLOWERS IN SUSAN'S BULLENGAROOK GARDEN – MARCH 2022**



*JEZIBEL BUTTERFLY ON  
CALAPHYLLA (GRAFTED)*



*LEHMANNII*



*FICIFOLIA FAIRY  
FLOSS (GRAFTED)*



*FICIFOLIA DWARF  
ORANGE (GRAFTED)*

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## **NATIVE PLANT SALE**

at St Andrew's Uniting Church,  
18 Gisborne Road, Bacchus  
Marsh, (MEL333 J6)

**Saturday 14th May 2022**

**9am-1pm**

**FEATURING HAKEAS  
and dwarf EUCALYPTS**

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