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Australian Plants Society
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We are proud to acknowledge Aboriginal people as the traditional owners of these lands and waters



Corymbia ficifolia Red Flowering Gum By Vicki Philipson

Program for 2020

All events have been CANCELLED due to the pandemic. We will email members when it is safe to organise an activity, perhaps outdoors in December.

Congratulations to Vicki Philipson whose exquisite water colour painting of a Red Flowering Gum was chosen for the Royal Botanic Gardens 2021 Botanical Art Calendar.

See more details and link on next page:

South Gippsland APS Committee 2020-2021

Our president, Jim Lyons, sends his best wishes to everyone.

We are sorry that events have had to be cancelled and, especially, we won't meet at Diane and Ross's beautiful garden in November. Their Open Garden Scheme days on 7th & 8th of November have had to be **cancelled** however we look forward to re-organising when safe

Another outing idea for future plans might be the 15 ha wildlife sanctuary on Corner Inlet featured on page 32 of Growing Australian APS Vic No 253 September 2020.

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Botanical Illustration

This year the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne Art of Botanical Illustration exhibition is online. It can be accessed at <https://tabi.rbgfriendsmelbourne.org/>

The 2021 Calendar can be ordered online at that website. You can also see all 3 of Vicki Philipson's water colour paintings (103-105) including artworks in progress. They are well worth seeing!

Vicki's *Grevillea bipinnatifida banksii* 'Ned Kelly' is fabulous and her Agapanthus was chosen as the "hero" image used for advertising the exhibition.

Important Conservation Issue : Save the Holden Bushlands

Meryl and Hartley Tobin, and many community groups, have been working hard to ensure biodiversity is conserved on 877 ha (2000 acres) of Coastal Forest in the Westernport Region.

For more information go to

<https://www.basscoastpost.com/news/proving-ground-campaign-not-over-yet>

<https://www.savetheholdenbushlands.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Save-The-Holden-Bushlands-101803254947425>

Thanks to Alan Lacey who sent these photos to brighten up our day. I have used APSVSouthGippsland Facebook to name these.



Isopogen dubius Family Proteaceae



Xerochrysum sp. Family Asteraceae



Acacia sophorae Family Mimosaceae



Hardenbergia violaceae Family Fabaceae



Westringia glabra Family Lamiaceae

Black Spur Creek Wetlands Project

For those who are interested, I will attach the last two updates to this email.

Regarding the Koonwarra Fossils, the following is from an update from Major Road Projects Victoria.

“While the new highway realignment works do not impact on the known fossil bed, the team is working with Museum Victoria and have identified other potential areas within the project site that may yield fossilised material.

Project staff have been trained on what to look for and there is a procedure in place should fossils be found during construction works.

A project palaeontologist is on hand to inspect these areas as works commence. Where material of interest is identified, arrangements have been made to transport it offsite for further paleontological exploration.”