

NEWS FROM PEACEHAVEN

November 2019

AGM AND NEW MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Friends' Annual General Meeting took place on Wednesday 9 October. Once again Gus and Penny Hamilton welcomed everyone to their beautiful home, where the meeting was combined with a barbecue and social gathering.

The following people were elected to the management committee:

- President: Janet Hewitt
- Vice-President: Gus Hamilton
- Treasurer: John Herbert
- Nursery Coordinator: Robin Case
- Publicity & Communications Coordinator: Barbara McKenzie
- Membership Coordinator: Jeff Hewitt.

The position of Secretary was not filled at the meeting, but Gus Hamilton has since agreed to act in the role until the position can be filled permanently.

OUT WITH THE OLD, IN WITH THE NEW

It's true! The native plant nursery's transition to its new premises is just around the corner. All being well, the move will take place by the end of this month.

Stan Kuhl's old dairy shed has served the Friends well, but the nursery volunteers are eager to enjoy the bigger and better facilities.



The new nursery (left): bigger and better



IN THE PINK

Have you noticed a spectacular show of blooms on the native hibiscus near the nursery shed? (It's also known as native hollyhock: botanical name *Hibiscus splendens*.)

If you fancy growing this attractive shrub in your own garden, you'll be pleased to know that nursery volunteers struck some cuttings from the Peacehaven specimen earlier in the year, and there are still a few plants for sale.

But hurry – they're selling fast.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

Don't miss the final Music in the Park event of the year on Sunday 10 November with Brisbane-based band The Grin. Their repertoire ranges from hits of the 80s to those of the present day.

Pack a picnic, bring your family and friends, sit back and enjoy the music in the beautiful surroundings of Peacehaven.

TAVERN TALK: PLANTS FOR SUSTAINABLE GARDENS

Continuing the theme of adapting to climate change, horticulturalist Mike Wells will talk about selecting plants for sustainable gardens and parks.

Date: Thursday 14 November

Time: 6 pm for a 7 pm presentation (dinner and drinks at your own expense)

Place: Highfields Tavern

Bookings: peacehaven3@gmail.com

NEXT MEETING OF FRIENDS

The next General Meeting of the Friends of Peacehaven Botanic Park will as usual be on the second Wednesday of the month.

Date: Wednesday 13 November

Time: straight after the management committee meeting, which starts at 9.30 am.

Place: nursery shed, Peacehaven

All welcome.