



NEWS FROM PEACEHAVEN

Celebration issue: December 2024

FROM THE PRESIDENT

We say it every year, but 2023 really has flown by, with the Christmas season almost upon us.

The management team has been busy getting ready for our 20-year celebration day. Do come, and please spread the word among family and friends.

As President, I am very fortunate to have such a great group of volunteers who give up their time so that we can continue to operate and contribute to improvements in the park and local community. In particular, I thank the hard-working members of the management team. Please enjoy your break over Christmas with family and friends.

I would also like to express my gratitude to the team we work with at Toowoomba Regional Council. They understand how special Peacehaven is, and are always very supportive of our group.

Finally, I send my best wishes to all our members for a happy Christmas and New Year.

Wendy Geue, President

20-YEAR CELEBRATION

Very soon, you will see corflute signs around the neighbourhood heralding our special event in the park on 15 December:



The celebration marks 20 years since Stan Kuhl signed the agreement to hand over almost 5 hectares of his farmland to the community for a botanic park.

There will be stalls, displays, guided walks, history talks, children's activities, music and food. The event is from 3 pm to 6 pm, with a formal ceremony at 4 pm at which Deputy Mayor Rebecca Vonhoff will officiate. All are welcome. You can even do some Christmas shopping while you're there!

FEATURE PLANT FOR CHRISTMAS

Fancy an Aussie-themed Christmas tree this year? Try *Adenanthos sericeus* (WA woolly bush). The foliage is soft and velvety, and the fresh lime green or silver tips add extra sparkle at this time of year. It's a versatile plant that can be pruned to shape, used for hedging or allowed to grow tall and bushy. Why not give one to someone special? There are plenty in stock at the nursery.



NURSERY CLOSURE DATES

The nursery will be open for business on the day of the 20-year celebration, **Sunday 15 December**, and this will be the last trading day of the year.

After a well-deserved break for the volunteers, the nursery will reopen on **Thursday 30 January 2025**.

The perfect Christmas gift



\$30

All proceeds to Friends of Peacehaven Botanic Park

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next general meeting will be held in mid-February.

Date: Wednesday 19 February 2025

Time: 10 am

Place: Nursery Shed

