



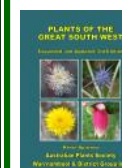
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**On Eastern Maar Country**

**EDITORIAL**

**Hello members,**

At our last **Members Night in May**, we held our **Annual Meeting** where we reported to members. Mike Halls Leaders Report was read out in his absence (see page 5), John Sherwood presented his financial Report and a new committee was elected. Dave Handscombe has now been elected Leader/President of our group, (see page 4) all other positions except for Vice President, remain the same. (See page 2 for contact details)

Following on from the Annual Meeting, of course it means that our **memberships are due again** from 1st July. Attached is a membership form, subs remain the same as last year. Payments can be made as per last year, direct deposit into our account (details are on the form) or cash/cheque can be sent to Treasurer, John Sherwood. Make sure you include your name on the direct deposit so we can record your payment. The APS Vic. part of the subs will then be transferred to the Victorian Membership Officer for you.

**This month** we are very fortunate to have **APS Vic. Vice President Miriam Ford** as our speaker (see her biography on page 3), she has a passion for growing Prostanthera (Native Mint Bushes) and hosted the last Fred Rogers Seminar on that subject. While she is here, she will be videoing some of our local gardens to put up on the APS Vic. You Tube Channel. Please bring along something from your garden for the Display Table, Prostanthera if you have them.

Have you received your June APS Vic. '**Growing Australian**' newsletter, contact me if you didn't. This month we will be having **dinner at the RSL** from 6.30pm, please let me know if you are coming so I know how many to book for. Come along and meet our guest speaker. See you on the 24th. Cheers, Kevin

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**We acknowledge the Eastern Maar people as the traditional owners of the land on which we meet and pay our respects to their elders past and present.**

**Next Members Night June 24th 8.00pm - Miriam Ford - "Australian Mint Bushes - their beauty, diversity & scentual delights".**

<i>Members Activities</i>	<i>Group Weekend Trip to Horsham - 22nd - 24th July</i>
<p><b>Members Night - June 22nd:</b> Speaker Miriam Ford speaking on Prostanthera, “<i>Australian Mint Bushes - their beauty, diversity &amp; scented delights</i>”.</p> <p><b>Committee Meeting - June 28th 4.00pm</b> - Mattners</p> <p><b>No Members Night for July.</b></p> <p><b>Weekend away in Horsham- July 22 - 24th:</b> Guided tour of Little Desert and local gardens.</p> <p><b>Committee Meeting - July 27th - TBD</b></p> <p><b>Members Night - August 26th - TBD</b></p> <p><b>Members Night: September 16th (NOTE change of date to third Friday)</b> - speaker John Miller - Wyperfeld National Park and connection to Cliff Beaglehole.</p> <p><b>Members Night: October 28th</b> - speaker Geoff Lay - Gun Barrel Highway.</p>	<p>Group members will be travelling to Horsham on <b>Friday 22 July</b>. Graham and Maree Goods will be leading the weekend. The plans are to visit the southern Little Desert, Mt Arapiles and surrounding area on <b>Saturday 23 July</b>, leaving at 8:30am from the <b>Wimmera Library Car Park</b>. 14 of our members have indicated as attending and members of the Wimmera Group are being invited to join us. If you would like to come along, please let me know on 55626217 if you haven't already notified me. You will need to BYO morning/afternoon teas, lunch and chair/s. The excursion will be on all weather roads, travelling in convoy. We are booked in for dinner in the evening at the Horsham RSL Club Rooms at 6pm. Book own accommodation, suggestion is Horsham Riverside Caravan Park. Cabins are available.</p> <p>On <b>Sunday 24 July</b>, commencing at 9am, the group will be visiting three gardens in Horsham.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Vern and Pam Hallam, 52 Florence Street.</li> <li>* Graham and Maree Goods, 11 Harmer Court for morning tea (provided).</li> <li>* Gary and Bev Aitken, 137 Barnes Boulevard.</li> </ul> <p>The morning session will finish by 12 noon, everyone to provide or purchase their own lunch in Horsham, leaving at 1pm to travel to <b>Wartook Gardens, 2866 Northern Grampians Road, Wartook</b>, home of Royce and Jeanne Raleigh. Members can then travel home after the visit to the Raleigh garden. Contact Kevin for more information 55626217.</p>
<p><b>Please submit your articles for the newsletter by the end of the second week of the month</b></p>	
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<p><b>The APS Warrnambool &amp; District holds meetings on the 4th Friday of each month at the Mozart Hall Warrnambool at 8pm.</b></p>	
<p>APS Warrnambool &amp; District is a District Group of the Australian Plants Society (Vic) All members are required to also be a member of APS Vic.</p>	
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## Our Speaker, Miriam Ford - a Short Biography.

I was born and bred in country Queensland. I studied for my tertiary degrees at the University of Queensland, St Lucia, Brisbane during the 1970s and early 80s. After completing my Ph.D in cellular biology there I went overseas to London for 3 years for the obligatory Post-Doctoral term where I added Molecular biology to my repertoire. I then returned to Melbourne and worked as a research scientist for 25 years in cancer research, then developmental biology retiring from that career in 2003.

While I re-trained as a primary school teacher I now 'work' part-time as a practice manager for Michael Costa Psychologist, a private psychology practice we run from our home. Fortunately I have lots of spare time which I spend propagating and growing Australian Plants.



I have been a member of APS Victoria for over 25 years and have served in various executive positions in my District Group, APS Yarra Yarra in North East Melbourne, and in APS Victoria where I am currently a Vice President. I chaired the 13<sup>th</sup> Fred Rogers Biennial Seminar on Mint Bushes and Allied Genera in 2020 for APS Vic. I have a passion for growing Australian Plants and particularly the Mint Bushes - I have over 60 Prostanthera species growing well in my large garden so much so that ABC Gardening Australia filmed here late last year for a segment to air later this year. I really enjoy travelling around to various district groups giving talks and meeting the people who make up these great communities all endeavoring to do their best with looking after our native flora and fauna.

Photo left: *Prostanthera porcata*



## Message From Our New President

What do you want to get out of our group?

Just a quick note to all members, a group like ours is what you make it. The committee will do its best to make meetings interesting to all members but it would be incredibly helpful if you, as members of the group, could give us feedback on what you would like to see the group do. Some of the questions we need answers to are:

Do you want the committee to try and find a speaker on a topic you may be interested in?

Do you want more garden/field visits?

Do you want propagation meetings?

At the Grampians group we used to have a social meeting, where everyone brought along some food and we had a meal followed by members short presentations or a giant plant table. Would you like to do something similar?

Do you want the group to become more involved in conservation issues?

Please don't hesitate to talk to one of the committee members if you have any ideas.

Have you ever considered sending a short article to Kevin for the newsletter, a few photos and a couple of paragraphs and it's done, or you could do a profile of you and your garden so other members get to know who you are. Every article that Kevin receives makes his job as newsletter editor that bit easier.

All the best,  
Dave

## Message From Committee Member Ross Dawson

### Do you have a hidden talent????

At the May committee meeting the reinvigoration of our membership base was a point of discussion.

Our membership has for some time either remained static or has only grown by a small increment. Though it remains strong we need to attract a wider base of people interested in native flora so that APS Warrnambool can continue to grow through attracting people with diverse interests or back grounds.

One of the discussion points was the development of a visually attractive brochure which would highlight our native flora and the benefits of what being a member of APS would bring.

The brochure needs to be in such a format that one is encouraged to pick it up, read it and explore joining APS.

Now comes the part of identifying the hidden talent of our membership base that have the inspiration to assist in developing the said brochure

If you feel that your talents meet some of, if not all of the skills to assist with the development of the brochure. Please do not be shy and contact Ross Dawson (0408082141) to have a coffee and share your thoughts.

### **The out come may surprise you**



*Hakea* 'Stockdale Sensation'

## *Leaders Report Presented to Members at AGM 27th May 2022 by Mike Halls*

It has been a challenging year for us all as we have managed the Covid threat. We have on occasions had to revert to meetings and presentations on-line instead of meeting in the Mozart Hall. I am grateful to the APS Committee for providing our members with interesting topics and speakers each month during the year.

The speaker for AGM in June last year was Royce Raleigh, speaking on “Small Plants for the Garden” was very interesting, and was well attended by 19 members.

In July, we had a members’ fun night where members brought along items of native plant craft or art for display and discussion.

In August, Dave Handscombe presented his talk on Zoom “Grampians: Fires, Floods and locusts” from his work over many years in the Grampians. A total of 19 members attended on Zoom.

In September, Trevor Kennedy presented an illustrated talk on “Butterflies of the South West”, at the Mozart Hall, which was attended by 13 members.

In October, John Sherwood presented a talk on Zoom, about the “Flora of Kangaroo Island” from a trip he did prior to the devastating fires. A total of 23 members attended on Zoom.

In October, 8 members travelled to Pomonal to visit the Pomonal Flower Show. Unfortunately, the Pomonal Flower Show was cancelled, but we enjoyed exploring the area on Saturday, and viewing Royce and Jeanne Raleigh’s Garden on Sunday.

Also in October, 10 members travelled to Hamilton and were hosted by Liz Cummins. We visited Rob Beulke’s plant nursery and Liz and Leo’s new garden and plantings on their farm. We also visited Betty and Brian Lacy’s Garden, lovingly maintained in memory of her husband, Brian.

In November, Denis Crawford presented a talk on Photography of Insects, including information about the insects and the techniques for taking successful photos. This talk at the Mozart Hall was attended by 13 members, and 2 visitors.

Christmas Breakup was hosted by Ross Dawson and Sue Blood’s property at Illowa and was well attended by 20 members. We shared a convivial meal, and shared the Christmas Cake baked again by Dorothy Mattner. Ross and Sue provided an instructional tour of their extensive garden.

In January, we met at Swan Reserve for a walk and talk led by Kevin, which was attended by 8 members, with 9 apologies.

In February, Adam Mattner presented an illustrated talk about Kakadu, culture, flora, fauna and waterfalls. This talk was presented at Mozart Hall, and attended by 21 members with 6 apologies.

In March, Chris Wilson of the Glenelg Hopkins CMA spoke on the “Rivers of Warrnambool Project”, the goals and achievements. Attendance was 11, with 9 apologies.

In April, Justin Harzmeyer, Natural Resources Officer with the Warrnambool City Council presented a talk on the Sustainable Goals of the Warrnambool W2040 Plan. He also launched the Environmental Weeds of Warrnambool book, which was written by Kevin Sparrow. Congratulations Kevin. 19 people attended the launch, including 11 visitors.

I wish to acknowledge and thank each member of the Committee for their contribution to the successful operation of APS Warrnambool & District Group during the last year, and I wish the incoming committee every success next year.

Michael Halls, President - APS Warrnambool & District

## Members Profile - Dave and Linda Handscombe

Hi everyone in the group. I thought I would take this opportunity to let members of the group get to know Linda and I.

I spent most of my formative years growing up in the small western district town of Willaura, not too far from the Grampians National Park. The regular family trips into the Grampians helped shape my love of the natural environment and steered me in the direction of working in natural values management. Linda grew up in Hawthorn then Werribee. I started my conservation career working at the School of Forestry and Land Management at Creswick. Linda was teaching in Footscray and we met at the Royal Botanic Gardens in Melbourne. We had a small native garden at our house in the grounds of the Forestry school. From there we moved to the Bright area in the north east and established a native garden on our half acre block. We moved into a departmental residence on the top of Mt Buffalo when I became a ranger there, which meant we couldn't establish a native garden but had 33,000 hectares of native bush as our back yard. In 1989 I transferred back to the Grampians and worked in the park and surrounding reserves for the next 30 years. We established a 3 acre native garden at our house in Pomonal before moving to our farm where we created another large garden. Linda worked at Moorillah Gardens, a wholesale nursery and cut flower farm, for quite a few years and then we ran a small nursery from the farm selling native and carnivorous plants and also cut flowers including flowers for many weddings and funerals. Our Pomonal garden was burnt out in 2006, flooded in 2010 and overrun with locusts in 2011. We have been involved with several APS groups over the years, being past members of the Ballarat group, are life members of the Grampians group and were heavily involved in the planning and running of the Pomonal Native Flower Show. We also played an integral part in establishing the native garden at the new Pomonal community hall.



We purchased our current block at Illowa in 2015 and moved here in 2019 when I retired. The block was pretty much a blank canvas with some established but young trees around the perimeter and driveway. Since moving we have been creating garden beds to house our native plant collection.

The plantings consist of an extensive collection of Correas, Grevilleas, Banksias, Small Eucalypts, Brachychitons, cut flowers and pretty much anything else that takes our fancy. We called the property the 'Ark Garden' because we tried to bring 2 of each plant we had at our Pomonal property. We have a propagation area and sell native plants and cut flowers at the Port Fairy Farmers Market.

I hope that gives you an idea of who we are. If you would like to drop in for a cuppa and look at the garden give me a call and we can make a time.

Dave 0429866862 Linda 0407700843

## May Display Table Report by Linda Handscombe

John Sherwood was first off the mark at the last meeting and he wowed us all with his specimen of *Templetonia retusa* or 'Cockies Tongue' (photo above right). He said his spectacular plant was the dwarf form and it stood approximately 1m x 1m. [They sometimes reach 6m]. Usually found in drier regions of central and southern Australia, there are 12 species, and *retusa* is found in Southern and Western Australia. It does very well in coastal areas, tolerating alkaline sands and loams. John's is always full of honeyeaters that enjoy the pea shaped red flowers. Apparently it comes in white, cream, apricot and yellow too.



John's beautiful purple specimen of *Melaleuca fulgens* 'Scarlet Honey Myrtle', was an unusual colour. Most *fulgens* are apricot, salmon, pinkish red to scarlet and all with golden anthers. These small to medium shrubs need maximum sunshine and good drainage and tip pruning to keep them bushy because they tend to be straggly.

John also brought *Alyogyne hakeifolia* 'Red Centred Hibiscus' (photo lower right) and he said his flowered for 6 months every year. A hardy and adaptable shrub from Western and South Australia, it does well by the coast except for its tendency to be damaged by strong winds, so regular pruning is advised.



Kevin Sparrow brought many specimens including the intriguing *Siegfriedia darwinioides* (photos below) [named after Siegfried, a German mythical hero who wore a magical cloak which made him invisible, referring to the flowers being hidden by the decorative bracts]. His plant was given to him by Bernie Shanahan and he grows it in a pot because it's touchy and he doesn't want it to get too wet. It's rare in cultivation and is a dwarf shrub hailing from Western Australia.



Kevin also brought a *Correa reflexa* var. *reflexa* specimen that is a cousin of the registered *Correa* 'Granny's Grave'. It originated from the same area of the headland towards Granny's Grave, but has a rougher textured leaf and will be a bigger plant.

## May Display Table Report by Linda Handscombe

Ross brought a piece of my favourite Hakea, *Hakea* 'Stockdale Sensation' (See photo on page 4). Most likely a cross between *Hakea laurina* and something else it originated in the lovely Max Ewers garden in Lucindale. He told us we had to buy one because he made 20c on each sale! Ross has his plant behind his beehives and the bees love it. It's a striking large shrub which delights with cream buds opening to pink and then to red and it's wonderful to see all the different stages together at once.



Ross also lured us to the dark side of fickle Western Australian Isopogons. His *Isopogon cuneatus* needs a well draining soil but not extended periods of dryness. We lost quite a few in Pomonal but the nursery/cut flower farm where I worked had a row at the bottom of a hill in the dappled shade where they thrived. They got the run off from the nursery over summer. Their fabulous 5cm purplish flowers are most suitable for a vase.

Suzannah brought in a specimen of the fabulous *Hakea* 'Burrendong Beauty' which apparently originated as a chance seedling at the Burrendong Arboretum between *Hakea myrtoides* and *Hakea petiolaris* and that always reminds me of the meeting between a Chihuahua and a Great Dane. It's a variable hybrid ranging from .5m – 1.5m x 1.5m – 3m. It has cream buds opening to pink and dark pink flowers. But don't plant it next to 'Stockdale Sensation' because they really do clash.

Dave Handscombe amazed us with his *Eucalyptus* 'Torwood' specimen (photo above right). A hybrid between *Eucalyptus woodwardii* and *torquata*, it has to be beautiful because both the parents are. Rodger Elliott said that 'these hybrids are not stable and much variation occurred however some of the progeny are outstanding'.



Ours comes from seed collected on several occasions from a large tree growing over a fence on the highway in Bordertown. This is its first flowering and it's looking pretty good so far.



Ed: Dave also brought in Grevilleas, G. 'Billy Bonkers' (photo centre right), G. 'Scarlet King' (photo lower left) and G. 'Scarlet Moon' (photo lower right).





## Plant Profile By Dave Handscombe - *Banksia integrifolia*



Information on this plant was obtained from various reference books, the internet and from personal experience

**Species:** *Banksia integrifolia*

**Family:** Proteaceae

**Banksia** – Named after Joseph Banks, botanist and scientist on several expeditions most notably Cook’s expedition to observe the transit of Venus. He later became the President of the Royal Society and remained a key figure in botanical and zoological investigations for over 40 years.

**integrifolia** – from the Latin, integer meaning untouched, referring to the lack of serrations on mature leaves.

**Common Name:** Coast Banksia.

There are 3 sub species of *Banksia integrifolia*.

*Banksia integrifolia* ssp *integrifolia*

*Banksia integrifolia* ssp *compar*

*Banksia integrifolia* ssp *monticola*

**Dimensions:** Height: variable up to 25 metres or more depending on sub species and location.

**Cultivar Name:** There is 1 cultivar listed on the ACRA website, *Banksia* ‘Roller Coaster’. PBR (Plant Breeders Rights) has been granted to 1 variety, no cultivar name listed as yet.

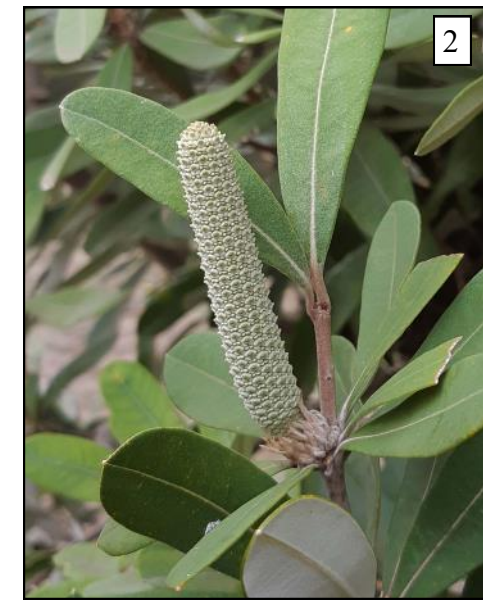
*Banksia integrifolia* ssp *integrifolia* occurs on coastal sand dunes from Port Phillip Bay in Victoria to Fraser Island in Queensland.

*Banksia integrifolia* ssp *compar* occurs on coastal dunes through to sand loam and basalt soils further inland from Brisbane through to Proserpine in Queensland.

*Banksia integrifolia* ssp *monticola* occurs on volcanic rocky soil away from the coast between New England National Park and the Blue Mountains in NSW.



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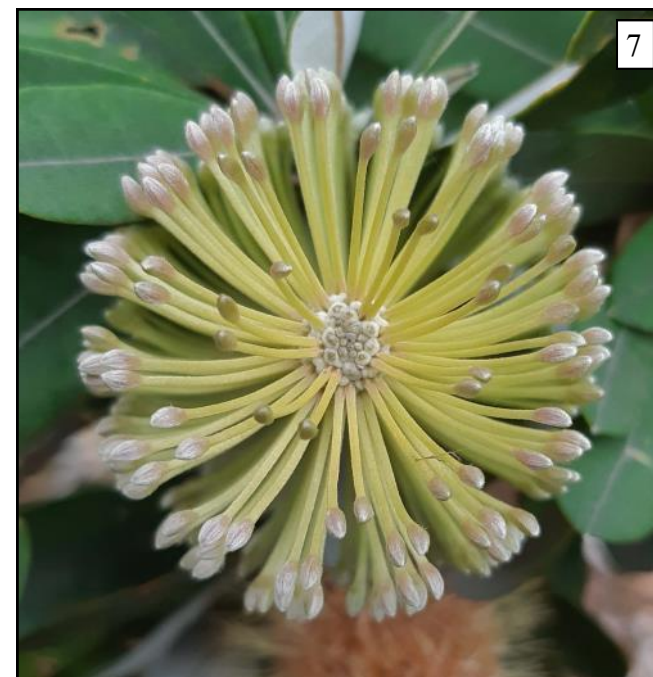
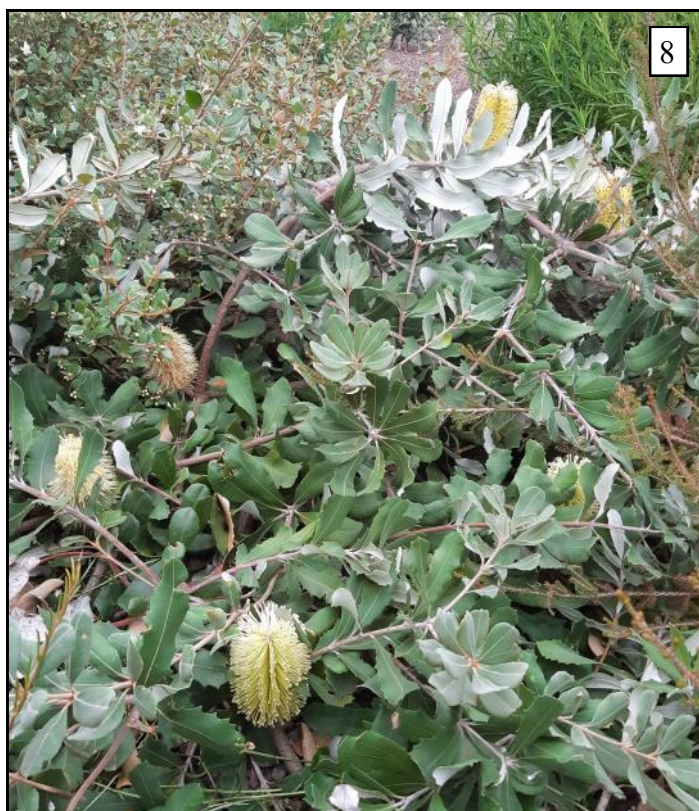


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*Banksia integrifolia* is a fast growing variable tree that is long lived and one of the hardiest of *Banksias* to grow. Preferring acid to neutral soils it is tolerant of cold conditions down to -6 C and coastal winds. It may struggle in arid areas unless there is sufficient ground water. Although classified as prostrate the cultivar, 'Roller Coaster', has arching branches that will eventually attain a height of up to a metre and spread over 4 metres. All forms provide good wildlife habitat with nectar and seed



providing a food source for a variety of honeyeaters and cockatoos. Prone to suckering if the roots are disturbed all forms can be propagated from seed or cuttings and it has been used as a rootstock for grafting of other *Banksia* species. The flowers of *Banksia integrifolia* are not retained and will drop off to expose the woody cones and don't require heat to open as many other *Banksia* species do, so cones have to be watched for seed to be successfully collected.

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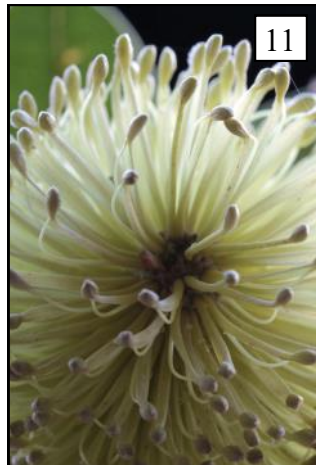
Photo 1: *Banksia integrifolia* 5 years old. Photo 2-5: The developing inflorescence. Photo 6: Exposed follicles after flower drop. Photo 7: A different view. Photo 8-9: *Banksia* 'Roller Coaster'. Photo 10-13: Closer views of the flowers ready to open.



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**Correa reflexa var. reflexa 'Granny's Grave' Linda Handscombe**

*Correa reflexa* var. *reflexa* 'Granny's Grave', was a correa form selected from the coastal vegetation at Warrnambool. This vegetation community called "Coastal Headland Scrub" is listed as rare and endangered and is today highly modified due to weed invasion and development.

A sample of the Correa was taken to a meeting of Warrnambool SGAP by member Ken Arthur and it was subsequently registered with ACRA by Cherree Densley on behalf of the group and the ASGAP Correa Study Group in 1999.

Ken was a roadside vegetation officer with Vic Roads at the time. He and his wife Gwen later also ran the lovely Gwenkenny Nursery in Illowa that sold a wide range of native plants including many Correas and an extensive range of Eremophilas.

Ken was familiar with the coastal vegetation of Warrnambool in the 1980s and was fascinated by the 'common', the area known locally as 'Granny's Grave' between the surf club and Point Richie and the wide range of plants growing there which included Correas.

The area had previously been grazed and was still fenced and at that time the coastal vegetation was low and wind sheared. The plentiful Correas were low too. Ken took cuttings from between 50 to 100 different plants. When they grew, he planted at least 10 of them in the garden at Vic Roads in Jamieson St, Warrnambool. In maturity, the plants ranged from completely prostrate to 2m tall. The flowers were various shades of green and the leaves were varying sizes and textures.

Over the years and for various reasons the precious Correas and other flora of the 'common' have all but disappeared. Ken remembers Patersonias and Adrianas. The low coastal vegetation lent itself to mowing by the Council and many of these areas are now grass and parking areas. Taller vegetation including Coastal Wattle and Italian Buckthorn have taken over.

Two years ago, Ken took local naturalist and author of 'Plants of the Great South West', Kevin Sparrow together with a number of council staff, to refind a remnant patch of Correas.



**Correa 'Granny's Grave' from Codrington Nursery in our garden. Photo by Dave Handscombe**

An area of about 20 square metres had been fenced off by council staff previously to protect them but the exact location of it had been lost due to the huge growth of the surrounding vegetation.



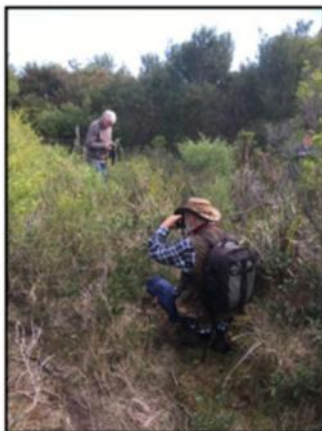
**Correa reflexa var. reflexa 'Granny's Grave' continued**

Kevin and his wife Joyce took David and I in to find them a few weeks ago. The Correas outside the fence had been grazed and had disappeared. Rabbits had damaged the Correas inside the fence and Italian Buckthorn had invaded the area. The remnant Correas varied in height and in flower size and colour and leaf size and texture. As insurance against loss, we took a few small cuttings.

Ken says that apart from being an excellent and hardy garden specimen, Correa 'Granny's Grave' made an excellent low maintenance plant for public spaces. This can be seen at the Swan Reserve Garden in Raglan Parade where there are some excellent examples.



Thank you Kevin Sparrow and Ken Arthur for your help with this article.



Italian Buckthorn (*Rhamnus alaternus*) seen at left and Coastal Wattle (*Acacia longifolia* subsp. *sophorae*) are rapidly overtaking the coastal heathland. Grazing animals are pruning the remnant Correas back to the wire fence.



The three photos above taken by Kevin Sparrow show various *Correa reflexa* var. *reflexa* from within the fence near Granny's Grave. Kevin also shared the article below from the Warrnambool Standard in 2003 when his book project was launched. Note the lovely low coastal headland reaching down to the sea in the background. You cannot see the sea from this spot now.



This *Correa reflexa* var. *reflexa* was from the same area and was about 1m tall. Photo by Dave Handscombe.



## *APS Victoria Shows, Conferences, Plant Sales And Other Items Of Interest 2022*

### **IMPORTANT PLEASE CHECK APS VICTORIAN WEBSITE FOR CANCELLATIONS**

4 June APS Vic COM – North Shepparton Community & Learning Centre, 10/14 Parkside Drive, Shepparton 3630. Registrations from 9.30. Meeting 10 am to 12 noon. Garden visit to Drew Baglin's garden, Kialla. For more information call Jenny Polinelli – 03 5829 8416.

25 & 26 June 2022 – APS Ballarat Winter Flower Show. Flower show, plant sales etc. Robert Clark Centre, Ballarat Botanic Gardens, Gilles Street, Ballarat. 10 am – 4 pm.

23 & 24 July 2022 - Cranbourne Friends RBGV Spring Plant Sale. 10 am to 4 pm. Wide range of plants, plant list available one week before sale. Free entry. (Advised 24/3/22)

27 & 28 August - APS Yarra Yarra Australian Plants Expo, Eltham Community & Reception Centre, 801 Main Road Eltham. 10.00 am - 4.00 pm both days

1 September 2022 – 2022 Wimmera Biodiversity Seminar, Pomonal. A one day in-person event but exploring options to make the seminar available to an online audience. Theme “Image of Biodiversity” which aims to explore how imagery is used to monitor, engage and inspire people towards greater biodiversity conservation efforts. Follow on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/wimmerabiodiversityseminar>.

3 Sept 2022 – APS Wilson Park (Berwick) Plant Sale, Wilson Botanic Gardens, Berwick in conjunction with City of Casey Garden Expo. Date to be confirmed.

11 – 16 September 2022, ANPSA Biennial Conference 2022 – Kiama, New South Wales.

Preliminary details of the Conference, pre- and post-Conference tours and the beautiful town of Kiama can be found on the APS (NSW) website. Registrations open now.

### **Change of Date, New Venue**

**24 & 25 September 2022** – APS Bendigo Flower Show, Victory Christian College, Kairn Road, Strathdale, Bendigo. 9.30 am to 4.00 pm. \$5 entry, children free. Specialist native plant nurseries, books, garden accessories and more. (Updated April 2022)

24 & 25 September 2022 – APS Loddon Murray host COM and Quarterly Gathering in Swan Hill.

## APS Victoria Shows, Conferences, Plant Sales and Other Items of Interest 2022

26 to 30 September 2022 - 7<sup>th</sup> Global Botanic Gardens Congress, Melbourne. *Influence and Action: Botanic Gardens as Agents of Change*. Includes a youth program for future gardens' leaders aged 18 to 24.

1 & 2 October 2022 - APS Grampians Group Pomonal Native Flower Show, Pomonal Hall. 9.30 am to 5.00 pm on Saturday, 10.00 – 4.00 on Sunday.

8 October 2022 - APS Echuca Moama Native Flower Showcase, Echuca Masonic Lodge Hall, 426 High Street, Echuca.

15 October 2022 - APS Mitchell Annual Flower Expo & Sale, 9am - 3pm. Memorial Hall, Sydney St, Kilmore. \$2 entry.

15 & 16 October 2022 – 14<sup>th</sup> FJC Rogers Seminar. Topic: Fabulous peas (the typical 'pea-flowered' plants from the sub-family Faboideae). York on Lilydale in Mt Evelyn. Expressions of interest and queries to [fabulouspeas2022@gmail.com](mailto:fabulouspeas2022@gmail.com)

22 & 23 October 2022 - APS Ballarat **Spring** Flower Show. Flower show, plant sales etc. Robert Clark Centre, Ballarat Botanic Gardens, Gilles Street, Ballarat. 10 am – 4 pm.

22 & 23 October 2022 - Cranbourne Friends RBGV Spring Plant Sale. 10 am to 4 pm. Wide range of plants, plant list available one week before sale. Free entry.

Website: [rbgfriendscranbourne.org.au](http://rbgfriendscranbourne.org.au)

### Fabulous Peas 2022

#### FJC Rogers Biennial Seminar

15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022



Discover the extraordinary world of Australian pea plants.

**Saturday** York on Lilydale, Mount Evelyn

**Speakers** with expertise in identifying, growing and propagating peas. Learn about current research into propagation and growing-on techniques. Evening dinner and an entertaining speaker.

Plant sales of common and unusual pea species. Book sales. Displays. Raffle.

**Sunday** Coach tours to public and private native gardens which include a wide variety of pea species.

Art exhibition and sale featuring pea plants from 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> October at Karwarra Australian Botanic Garden. Plant sales.

Expressions of interest: [fabulouspeas2022@gmail.com](mailto:fabulouspeas2022@gmail.com)

<https://apsvic.org.au/fjc-rogers-seminar-2022/>

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