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Wentworthville Community Garden

Generous support from sponsors.
Excellent planning and preparation.
Hard work by so many.

Open Day Success

A wonderful spring day helped ensure another successful Open Day for the Wentworthville Community Garden.

We are privileged to have the strong support from Holroyd City Council and the generous sponsorship from local businesses. And of course, the commitment and work from so many members, before, and on the day, ensured that our Open Day rewards our effort.

We are very fortunate for the outstanding support from our sponsors. Please shop from them.

- **Wentworthville Florist and Nursery**
- **Cordina Farms**
- **Officeworks Wentworthville**
- **Community Greening**
- **Bunnings North Parramatta**
- **McFarlanes Meats Greystanes**
- **Coles Merrylands**
- **Udaya Supermart Wentworthville**
- **Lisa's Hair Design Pendle Hill**
- **Woolworths Wentworthville**
- **Taylor-ing Your Hair Wentworthville.**



Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held at 4:00pm on Saturday 8 December 2012. The s355 Committee executive will present their reports for the past year.

Election of new Section 355 Committee

Garden members will vote for nine committee positions during the AGM.

Nominations for s355 committee positions will be advertised by Holroyd City Council in their corporate pages in local newspapers and on their website 4 weeks prior to the AGM.

End of year get together

Following the AGM will be our end of year get together. Come and enjoy a barbeque dinner from 5:00pm. Please bring your own drinks and meat to cook, and either a salad or dessert to share.



s355 Committee October Meeting

Community Radio

You can hear Helen K, Dianne, Kevin and Robyn when they recently featured on *Viv's Garden Gig* program on [FM Alive 90.5](#). They described the Garden and gave some history and background information as well as promoting our Open Day.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John reported that we have \$1 799.00 in the bank and \$67.00 in petty cash.

Water Pump

Kevin and Brad met with a Council Officer to consider pumping water from the water storage tank. It was estimated that to install an appropriate pump and diverter would cost in the range of \$3 500.00 to \$5 000.00. The Committee has agreed to contribute \$500.00 towards these works and will write to Council to request consideration of this project.

Fees & Membership

John is currently costing consumables to determine the future fee structure for 2013. The Committee will recognise the help and effort by our many "friends and helpers". We will write and invite them to our barbeques and other get togethers as a token of our thanks.

Australia Day

We will again have a barbeque and sport afternoon from 4:00pm.

Open Day Success (continued)

Our improved promotional effort resulted in more than 700 people attending Open Day this year. Thanks go to our letter box droppers, sign posters, shopping mall spruikers and radio stars.

This increased patronage provided us with a whopping \$6 600.00 gross earnings! Or, about \$5 600.00 profit!

Our growth was in our raffle. Thanks to all who pre-sold tickets as this raised more than \$850.00 before Open Day and with sales on the Day, we drew more than \$1 100.00 profit.

Craft stitched up more than \$200.00 while Preloved Goods were exchanged for nearly \$500.00.

Cakes, jams and sauces cooked up more than \$1 500.00 while the Morning Teas had a sumptuous profit of more than \$500.00.

The Barbeque and Drinks served up a tasty \$650.00 and our Fresh Produce reaped nearly \$500.00 from fewer plots.

And finally, the Plant and Seedling Sale propagated more than \$1 400.00 with the Potted Plants demonstrating over \$200.00 takings.

Raffle Result

Congratulations to the Open Day raffle prize winners:

- 1st Mrs Kalcher
- 2nd Nagar's Mum
- 3rd Julie Ann McDonald
- 4th Letty
- 5th Wendy
- 6th Nirma Lee
- 7th Jan & Larry Frankham
- 8th Helen
- 9th Mike
- 10th Petra

Welcome

A big welcome to our new members, and, a bigger thanks for their patience waiting for a garden during the lead up to Open Day:

- Kalpesh & Jalpa
- Ingrid & Nathan
- Jaya & Siva
- Alphonsa
- Olga
- Fatme
- Renu & Upendra