

SPRING GARDEN SHOW

Blooming Tasmania at Woolmers Estate

EVENT PROGRAM

Saturday 8th October 2022



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Entry \$12, Under 16 Free

The day will focus on gardens & gardening with plants; garden seeds & fungi (mushrooms) for sale; plants and flower displays, including expert help & advice in Q & A sessions, excellent and interesting speakers; kids activities; horticultural products; garden features; a botanical art exhibition; food, coffee & refreshments.

There are two sessions **9am to 12pm** and **12pm to 3pm**.

This event is a pilot for **Northern Tasmania's Zero Waste Events** program so please bring your own bottles to refill and 'keep cups' for beverages.

Individual exhibitors Plants stalls – from general to specialists' plants;

C & M Market Plants - fruit trees, ornamental and flowering trees, weeping trees, hellebores and much more.

Seed Street - wide range of ornamental & edible seed with an Eco promise.

Easy Mulch – a 100% Tasmanian pelletized product using waste wheat straw which is easy to transport and distribute.

Selina's Iris Garden - Huge variety available only at markets.

Bonnie Banks Nursery – Iris and Perennial plants from this specialist nursery.

West Tamar Fungi – great range of edible mushrooms in convenient grow bags, Pearl Oyster, Elm Oyster, Lions Mane, Pink Oyster, Golden Oyster.

Lily West Tamar Flowers - Natasha Nieuwhof - Lily West Tamar Flowers and Emma Meumann - Notley Hills Flower Farm will have flowers, posies and accoutrement in a replica of Natasha's attractive shop. Lily aims to tread lightly and has a focus on sustainability.

Iris Splendor - growing and selling tall bearded irises late 2007 now has in excess of 1000 varieties

Australian Plants Society Tasmania Inc. will exhibit the beauty and diversity of Australian native plants for environmentally friendly gardens. Visitors can get information about the society's activities in promoting the biodiversity and preservation of Australia's unique flora.

Emu Valley Rhododendron Garden – display & information about this world recognised woodland garden showcasing and protecting the Rhododendron genus.

The Tasmanian Arboretum – a great regional botanic garden of trees with a collection of trees of the temperate world in a beautiful and peaceful landscape.

Mel Hills – artist with link to nature, will be selling her art works and cards.

Australian Garden History Society – book sale, large range of second-hand garden, gardening and plant books.

Shearwater Garden Features – sculptures and features in metal for your garden.

HALS Horticultural & Landscaping Supplies – All your horticultural needs from this 40-year-old Tasmanian company.

Olivia Hickey - contemporary jeweller and artist of the wild places.

Speaker Program

Our Esteemed Speakers will present their topics in the comfortable and stylish Frances Mary Archer Gallery.

11.30am & 2.00pm Marcus Ragus – of Verdant Way horticulture, has over 43 years' experience in the professional horticulture and the domestic garden industry. A specialist in many areas of horticulture, Marcus provides advice and design ideas for owners of domestic gardens and landscapes. His work also includes assistance with small to medium organic production farms and other horticultural businesses around Australia.

Marcus will speak on "Designing the durable garden", can there be true 'sustainability' in garden design?" We will conclude with a Q & A session at the end of his talk.

10.45am & 1.15pm Lily West Tamar Flowers – will talk about Farm to Vase (40 mins) x 2 presentations through the day (am & pm), by Natasha Nieuwhof (Lily West Tamar Flowers) and Emma Meumann (Notley Hills Flower Farm).

- Know where your flowers come from
- The importance of buying local and seasonal flowers
- Flower growing in the Tamar Valley
- What is a Sustainable Florist
- Flower Care - Floral Husbandry
- Q & A session to close.

10.00am Only Barry Blain - Passionate Wollemi pine grower Barry will take you on a 'Journey Through A Lost Time' – Wollemi Pines. Plants will be available for sale at the C & M Market Plants stand.

- The Discovery of Wollemi Pines in Australia
- Propagation
- Cultivation
- Care & Maintenance.

Barry's passion for Wollemi Pines was captured in his 2019 Gardening Australia feature.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5xPX1TQI0iA>

9.15am & 12.30pm Tim Penton – from Tim Penton Consultants will talk about 'The world of honey & its use in fermentable products'.

Food & Beverages

Afghan Sisters Kitchen – delicious, easy to eat food while you wander.

Coffee Buzz – for coffee and snacks to get you on your way.

Activities

Kids Kitchen Garden – Woolmers Estate horticulture volunteers will be helping young people reconstruct a kitchen garden with edible seeds and seedlings. Includes both a morning planting & afternoon planting session.

Community Mojo - Free Activities for children...and the inner child. Come along and make cards and bookmarks inspired by Nature. Make handprints to Celebrate Mental Health Week and creatively reflect on ways to re-connect, nurture and sustain - taking care of ourselves and others.

Art Exhibition and Display

Botaniko exhibition **Gillanders Gondwana**, the Blooming of **Woodbank Gardens** – is a display of botanical art works created by group members while working at Woodbank Gardens, Longely, Southern Tas.

Ann Cripps lovely new book, *Gardeners, Plant Collectors, Friends: Hobart Town and Beyond* will accompany the exhibition.

Need More Information: 0476 256 669 or eventmanager@bloomingtasmania.com.au