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## Chair's Note - Summer 2024

Greetings Friends.

Spring has sprung and we are entering summer after a wonderful last spring day of steady rain. It has been great to see the deciduous and flowering trees at the Arboretum come to life again and there is significant new growth on the evergreen species.

Firstly, huge congratulations to all the Arboretum staff and volunteers on recently winning two Canberra Region Tourism awards for the Arboretum. One for Ecotourism and the other for Excellence in Accessible Tourism.

So, what have the Friends been up to since my last note?

During the last several months the website and membership team have developed and released a new feature – Gift Memberships. You can now purchase a membership and parking pass for a relative or friend from the [Shop](#) on our website. The membership card and pass can be sent direct to the recipient or can be directed to you to deliver personally.

This new feature allows you to share the great feeling of being a part of the development of the Arboretum as well as the direct benefits of an annual parking pass and discounts at the Arboretum Café and The Curatoreum gift shop – and some of the public events held at the Arboretum.

The Friends have also very recently sponsored a picnic setting that has been installed adjacent to the POD Playground. This will provide a place for parents and grandparents to sit and relax while they keep an eye on the activity of their kids.

▼ New picnic setting sponsored by the Friends

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## Chair's Note - continued...

In case you missed seeing them, below are two images, one of each of the bonsai azaleas in the Collection.

The first is 47 years old and was styled by bonsai artist Keith Stanley. It is called Azalea 'Encore Autumn Empress', while the second is a Satsuki Azalea called Osakazuki, styled by Arthur Robinson in 2008 and is twenty-eight years old.



▲ Azalea 'Encore Autumn Empress' Artist: Keith Stanley



▲ Satsuki Azalea 'Osakazuki' Artist: Arthur Robinson

Thank you to the Harvest Group volunteers who have prepared for and run two very successful Harvest Stalls in the Visitors Centre in the last several months. The money raised from these events is used to fund the various Friends projects that support the Arboretum.

Have you taken the opportunity to wander through the National Rock Garden yet? While it hasn't been officially opened, there are many large geological specimens in position now with walking paths linking them. The entry point is between the Mesa oak and Parrotia persica forests on the western side of Forest Drive. It is just a short walk from the main carpark.

Don't forget that the 2025 Arboretum calendar is now available from the [Shop](#) on our website or from The Curatoreum gift shop in the Visitors Centre.

And remember, with the Gift Membership option, it is easy to share the benefits of being a Friend with your family and friends which helps us support the ongoing development of the Arboretum.

Wishing you all the best over the upcoming festive season.

**Mike**



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## Arboretum wins dual gold, proving nature and inclusivity go hand in hand



The Arboretum was honoured to receive two awards at the recent Canberra Region Tourism Awards, winning in the categories of 'Ecotourism' and 'Excellency in Accessible Tourism'.

The Ecotourism award recognises our commitment to conservation, education, and caring for 44,000 rare and remarkable trees, ensuring they thrive for generations to come.

The Excellence in Accessibility award highlights our dedication to ensuring our forests, knowledge-sharing, and experiences are accessible to everyone. With over 1 million visitors each year—20% of whom are people with disabilities—we continue to strive to ensure an easy and enjoyable experience for visitors of all ages, abilities, and needs.

Both awards are a testament to our incredible staff, passionate Friends, volunteers, onsite partners and every visitor who supports our mission for a more inclusive and sustainable future. **We thank YOU.**

We are proud to represent Canberra in March next year at the Australian Tourism Awards, as we continue to inspire eco-conscious and accessible travel experiences, connecting all people with nature.

▲ Pictured: Alison Stewart, Pete Mealy, Michelle McMahon, ACT Chief Minister Andrew Barr, Claire Mackey, Bronwyn Bradley, Richard Allan, Sam Thompson.

Pictured: Claire, Michelle, Alison, and Bronwyn from the Arboretum team with Award Sponsors- GetAboutAble, Dr Yasmine Gray, Founding Director, and Frances Riggs, Consultancy Manager. ▶



## Key Diary Dates for Friends



### 25 December

Arboretum Visitors Centre and Bonsai Collection Closed

### 22 January - 5 March

Trees of the Arboretum Part 3  
Course Leader: Jan Morgan  
Weekly 10:00 am- 12:00 noon  
Enrollment opens: 3 January  
Please email:

[joanne.maples@netspeed.com.au](mailto:joanne.maples@netspeed.com.au)

## Interested in helping a U3A course?

### Are you interested in helping to deliver the course on Trees of the Arboretum?

The course is run under the umbrella of University of the Third Age Canberra and has been running for a decade or so.

Six Friends are planning to deliver the course once again in 2025. If you would like to be involved too, please contact Joanne by email: [joanne.maples@netspeed.com.au](mailto:joanne.maples@netspeed.com.au).

You could help by perhaps presenting information (already prepared) on some of the trees, leading a walk, taking photos of trees in the Arboretum or doing some research, as it suits you.

## Celebrating 2024 and our Volunteers



It was a wonderful end-of-year celebration at the Arboretum on Wednesday 11 December. Volunteers, Friends and Arboretum staff joined up to mark the end of another big year. During the evening, the 2024 Volunteer of the Year Award and Sterling Service awards were announced. The Jake Keller Scholarship recipient Imogen McMillan was also announced; and guests were treated to the beautiful sounds of *Spring Tide* as they celebrated.

**Congratulations to all the Volunteer Award recipients and a big thank you to all the volunteers and Friends of the Arboretum.**

### 2024 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT

**Congratulations - Roger Hnatiuk!**

Pictured below ▼

Roger has supported the Arboretum since the beginning, generously sharing his expertise in botany and plant ecology with volunteers, staff, and the Friends.

Roger's achievements are too many to list, but in 2024 alone, he has led and participated in FrogWatch, Wollemi seed collection, research, guest speaking, collaboration with the National Rock Garden to tie geological links between rocks and trees, and has been instrumental in re-establishing the Science Research Committee.



### 2024 STERLING SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS Pictured left to right ►

**Congratulations to Tralie, Cynthia, Maggie, Az and Peter!**

**Tralie Kimlin** is a reliable and dedicated member of the Discovery Kitchen Garden team, sharing her expertise with visitors. She helps with extra watering in hot weather, supports Harvest Group market stalls, and assists with Wollemi seed counting.

**Cynthia Kimlin** is a committed member of the Discovery Kitchen Garden team, sharing her gardening knowledge with visitors. She contributes to Harvest Group market stalls and helps with Wollemi seed counting.

**Maggie Hawes** is an enthusiastic Guide, sharing her knowledge of the Arboretum with warmth and cheer. She regularly steps in for Welcome Walks and Ngala tours, and coordinates fig picking, chutney making, and market stall sales for the Harvest Group.

In his first year as a bonsai volunteer, **Aaron (Az) Terlich** contributed 500 hours, quickly becoming an essential team member. Always reliable, cheerful, and eager to help, Az tackles any task with enthusiasm.

**Peter Demaine** is a skilled and friendly working bee volunteer who contributes to maintaining the living collection. He supports new volunteers and brings a positive, helpful attitude to every task.



## Friends Participate in Pots to Plots at Curtin Spring Fair

Saturday, 12 October, dawned cool and cloudy but the sun soon took over and out came the visitors to this annual event. With the bee hotel makers nearby, there was a real buzz in the air. There were stalls selling succulents, herbs, plants, jams and marmalades and our Friends stall offered 2025 Calendars, The Arboretum Books, Wattle seed packets and Friends' caps.

Typical of a community fair, plenty of people stopped by the Friends stall and, after a chat, wandered off with a trail map of the Arboretum, or even a membership flyer!

Everyone knows about the Arboretum of course, and has visited. Some were reminded about the pathways, about the quieter Children's Garden along the Gallery of Gardens, and some just wanted a chat. There would appear to be considerable support for a loop bus from Civic to the bus-less Canberra attractions such as the Botanic Gardens, National Zoo and Aquarium, and the Arboretum. Such a bus would be helpful for tourists who arrive by interstate bus/train and for local Canberrans who no longer drive.

The music was fun, the coffee great – come along next year and see for yourself!

**Del Da Costa**



▲ Lyn Rees and Del Da Costa at the Curtin Spring Fair

## Warm Trees 2025

Two pieces of news about next year's Warm Trees event:

Firstly, following comments from visitors and volunteers, who asked why the display was being taken down after only a month, the Arboretum has agreed that we can extend it by two weeks, so we will finish in the middle of August.

Second, Friends are delighted to announce that our partner next year is the Republic of Korea. I am particularly pleased because not only do they have some great national symbols, but we have six forests of trees that are native to Korea. Our display of the Chilean native trees growing at the Arboretum received many positive comments, so I am hoping we can do something similar with the Korean trees next year.

Their flag might present a challenge to make, although given the creativity of the volunteers, I expect (and hope) that we can get some ideas. The flag colours are red, white, royal blue and black, so you can start knitting scarves in one or more of these colours.

As usual, we are very pleased to receive scarves in any colours! Thanks to everyone who made this year's event such a success!

**Jan Morgan** Warm Trees Convener 2025

**Despite their common names, the following are the Arboretum trees that are native to Korea:**

**Forest 6**

Persian silk tree, *Albizia julibrissin*

**Forest 8**

Japanese flowering dogwood, *Cornus kousa*

**Forest 67**

Japanese snowbell, *Styrax japonicus*

**Forest 75**

Chinese mahogany, *Toona sinensis*

**Forest 84**

Japanese zelkova, *Zelkova serrata*

**Forest 87**

Callery pear, *Pyrus calleryana*

## Harvest Group - Update

The final market stall held on 1 December was a great success and the culmination of a very busy year for the Harvest Group volunteers! The stall held by STEP volunteers also did well. The rain held off until 3pm when a deluge descended giving the Arboretum's forests and gardens an additional much needed soak!

Maggie Hawes, the coordinator of market stalls has been quite ill and has had to step back from activities to allow for recovery. We wish her well for a complete and speedy recovery. Here is a message from Maggie:

*"Thank you to all the wonderful people who help during the fig harvest, cook and help on the market stall. With a very special thank you to Ange for all her hard work and dedication not only in the Discovery Garden but also on the market stall. Her wreaths, seedlings, and pesto etc. contribute greatly to our success".* **Maggie**

Sincere thanks to all Harvest Group volunteers for their extraordinary hard work in support of the Friends and the Arboretum this year through their various activities and fundraising efforts. It is hoped that next year more volunteers, including young people, can be enticed to join and participate in the many exciting projects on offer and so have the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of visiting this most wonderful location.

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▶ Right: Photo sent in by the proud owner of her gifted wreath.

▶ Far right: Ange, Tralie, and Janet at the December market stall and items on display for sale at the December market stall.

Photos: Linda McNeilly.



Market Stall Dates - 2024	Takings
17 February (fig pop-up stall)	\$842
24 February (fig pop-up stall)	\$928
1 March (fig pop-up stall)	\$631
24 March	\$2,341
5 May (includes sale of 14 Wollemi)	\$2,620
14 July	\$2,164
22 September	\$1,984
1 December	\$3,246
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,756</b>



## Discovery Kitchen Garden - Update

The English lavender harvest, which usually occurs from late December to mid-January, will most likely be later, in February 2025. Some of the breba figs are ripening in December however, the main harvest is expected to start in February/March, when the much sought after, and very successful, fresh fig pop-up stalls will again be held at the Arboretum Visitor Centre during autumn.



▲ Volunteers Cynthia and Tralie in the garden

The weather this spring has been changeable, mostly dry until late November and then very hot temperatures. In October/November tomato, eggplant, chilli, mini pumpkin, cucumber, zucchini and more scarlet runner beans were planted as well as herbs such as basil and parsley. French marigolds and calendula were the companion flowers. The Warrigal greens were in abundance and when pulled up to make room for other plantings, the 30 x 120ml jars of Warrigal Greens and Macadamia Pesto produced sold out very quickly at the market stall.

The predicted (and anticipated) warm wet summer should provide a good growing season ahead, unless we get those destructive January storms that adversely affected crops, trees, and property as has happened in the ACT over the past few years!

Volunteering in the garden is a very enjoyable experience and there is much to learn and to share with visitors. If anyone has a spare hour or two and would like to experience the ambiance of the garden, and help maintain it during the next year, (a pleasurable and not onerous task), contact the Arboretum to sign up. This is the eighth year that the Friends' Harvest Group garden team has maintained the garden and still going strong!

Best wishes for the festive season and happy gardening!

**Ange**



### Currently growing in the Discovery Kitchen Garden:

Herbs
Basil
Borage
Chives
Fennel
Garlic Chives
Parsley Curly
Parsley Italian
French Sorrel
Strawberry

Flowers
Alyssum
Calendula
Cornflower
Nasturtium
Pansy
Sweet Pea
Sweet William

Vegetables
Chilli (various)
Cucumbers (Lebanese)
Eggplant (various)
Globe Artichoke
JBL Mini Pumpkins
Tomato (various)
Rhubarb
Scarlet Runner Beans
Silverbeet
Warrigal Greens
Zucchini Black Jack



## Poetry of Spring Walk - led by Margaret Groube

Sunday November 10 was a gorgeous day and perfect for the Poetry of Spring Walk led by Margaret Groube with Jan Gough Watson taking some snaps. Several visitors joined the walk and enjoyed poetry and blossoms in the Arboretum in our Northeast pocket of Forests.

Blooms and flowers could be seen in the Horse Chestnuts and the Chinese Tulip forests, and there was a special guest in attendance in the Himalayan Cedars to hear this beautiful poem celebrating the wonder of that forest.



Taken from the POETRY FOUNDATION  
I dwell in Possibility- (466)  
BY EMILY DICKINSON

I dwell in Possibility –  
A fairer House than Prose –  
More numerous of Windows –  
Superior- for Doors –

Of Chambers as the Cedars –  
Impregnable of eye –  
And for an everlasting Roof  
The Gambrels of the Sky –

Of Visitors- the fairest –  
For Occupation- This –  
The spreading wide my narrow Hands  
To gather Paradise –



## News from STEP - Southern Tablelands Ecosystems Park, Forest 20

Hello all

Now that the warm days have arrived, the gardens at Forest 20 continue to impress visitors with their range of flowering shrubs and perennials. One patch that has made a lovely display (thanks to the dedicated and intricate weeding efforts of Ray, one of our volunteers) is the *Goodenia pinnatifida* or Scrambled Eggs. These are delicate little forbs\* that can easily be swamped by invasive grasses and broad-leafed weeds, and we are also seeing *Goodenia* flowering in our natural grassland areas under the eucalypts.

STEP volunteers are hand-watering as many of the small plants as possible and we are being rewarded by regrowth from some species that appeared dead at the end of winter. These include the *Doodia aspera* Rasp Ferns and *Viola betonicifolia* Showy Violets.

A Landcare ACT tour titled *Women in Nature* occurred at STEP in October. The event was well attended, and it was a pleasure to accompany the group as they explored the gardens and undertook educational and mindfulness activities. Our visitor numbers continue to increase, and we were delighted to welcome the artists from *NatureArt Lab* to use our ecosystem plantings (in particular, the peas and wattles) for inspiration and research.

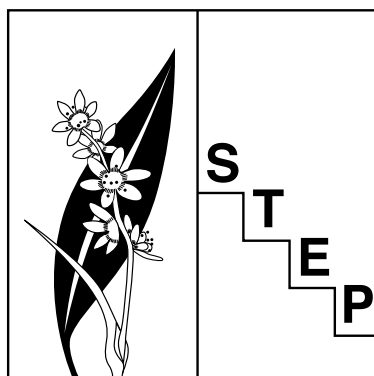
As we enter summer, we are slowing down on our planting tasks and instead improving hard landscape areas by mulching and building rock edges and low walls. Staff from the Horticulture team at the Arboretum have been working alongside some of our STEPPers to transport loads of rocks and place them around new beds.

STEP participated in the Christmas Harvest Stall in the National Arboretum Visitors Centre on 1st December, where we had decorations, novelty planter pots and hand made cards for sale. All these were made by STEP volunteers (thanks Judy and Margaret) and follow Australian native plant themes.

Wishing everyone well for the summer and festive season.

Regards **Jane Cottee**,  
President STEP

\*A forb is a non-woody flowering plant other than a grass.



▲ *Velleia paradoxa*



▲ Rockwall building in STEP

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## What's Happening in the Forests

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Recently, there have been new plantings in several forests; 100 new South esk pines (Forest 48), 32 new Crepe myrtles (Forest 24), and 17 new Yoshino Cherry trees (Forest 17). A lot of effort is going into watering these plants and all other newly planted trees from the last 12 months to ensure adequate moisture is available in the dry season.

This is coupled with ongoing pest management regimes, treating borer in the known forests as identified, spraying for scale in several areas around the site, and maintaining vigilance in site inspections to identify upcoming issues.

A lot of work is being undertaken in garden areas with extensive renovations through spring starting to feed into the development of a maintenance schedule. There have been full renovations of the turf plots in the Discovery Garden, and work done to prepare the Correa bed in Central Valley for replanting as the weather cools. Drainage has been established in the Central Valley gardens and the Correa bed in particular. The bed is now being raised to promote better success of the plants into the future even with the propensity to saturation in wet conditions.

The gabion wall project in the Himalayan cedars has been very successful and the Arboretum is hoping to follow up with an in-fill planting and wash-out remediation project in the near future.

### Living Collections Team

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## Walking Canberra's Griffin Weston Forest Trail

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While visiting the office of the Canberra and District Historical Society (CDHS) in Curtin, I was pleasantly surprised to find a 48-page booklet written by Trevor Lipscombe. It described a walking trail that he called the Griffin Weston Forest Trail.

Trevor has been interested in history and heritage and in challenging walks for a long time. He first walked the trail in full on his 80th birthday. It's a 30 km trail, going through treed areas almost all the way. Most challenging, is that it goes to the peaks of Black Mountain, Mt Ainslie, Mt Majura and Mt Pleasant, having started on Dairy Farmer's Hill. So, 5 peaks altogether.



The trail goes through the National Arboretum Canberra, Glenloch Plantation (cork oaks, Forest 1), dry eucalypt forest, yellow box and red gum woodland, Canberra Nature Park, Haig Park, Corroboree Park, an old travelling stock route, an old fodder tree reserve (kurrajongs) and Mount Pleasant plantation (acacias). There are bits of old rabbit proof fencing to be seen. All this takes in plantings, some initiated by WBG (Walter Burley Griffin), and most implemented by TCW (Thomas Charles Weston).

The booklet gives good directions, maps and a short writeup of the history surrounding the forested areas, including about the Green Hills Afforestation Area (now the Arboretum).

You don't need to do the whole trail at once. Trevor says doing it in 4 stages works well, with car shuffling. Each stage goes between two of the peaks and might take a comfortable 2.0 to 3.5 hours. So, find the booklet (Arboretum, ANBG, NCA at Regatta Point, Parliament House, NLA, Book Lore in Lyneham, Book Cow in Kingston or CDHS) and put your walking shoes on.

**Joanne Maples**

▲ Plantings of Himalayan cedars at Green Hills Afforestation Area in the late 1910s and early 1920s involved both Griffin and Weston. The remaining trees are now Forest 11 at the National Arboretum Canberra. Stage 1 of the Griffin Weston Forest Trail goes through this forest. (Photo: Joanne Maples taken 24 February 2019).

## Ritsurin Garden - Well worth a visit!

On a recent holiday to Japan, I visited the city of Takamatsu at the northern tip of Shikoku Island. It is a port city on the Seto Inland Sea.

One of the main attractions is the Ritsurin Garden in the middle of the city. The garden dates back several centuries and was opened as a public garden in 1875. A formal garden area with ponds (covering 16 hectares), sits at the base of Mt. Shiun-zan where there are more forests you can explore (covering 75 hectares).

The garden features six ponds and thirteen landscaped hills in front of Mt. Shiun-zan, along with stunning rock arrangements and a wide variety of beautiful plants. There are 1400 pine trees in the garden, with 1000 of them attended to by gardeners. Their branches are beautifully curved and look like life-sized bonsai.

There are also several teahouses in the garden and lots of very hungry goldfish and snapping turtles swimming in the ponds. Volunteers are available to take visitors on a tour of the park and our guide for the morning was the charming Mr Yamashita Shunji.

The garden is designated by the Government as one of Japan's Special Places of Scenic Beauty and has also been awarded three stars (the top rating) in the Michelin Green Guide for Japan.

If you would like to find out more, here is the website:  
<https://www.my-kagawa.jp/static/en/ritsurin/>

**Nicole Pietrucha**



## teamLab Botanical Garden Osaka

Explore the world of digital art and nature - teamLab Botanical Garden Osaka is a night open-air museum, featuring a collection of artworks that use the plants, lake, and the ecosystems and environment of Nagai Botanical Garden, Osaka Japan.



## What's new - The Curatoreum

November and December are my favourite months in publishing. There are so many new books, it's almost impossible to whittle this issue's highlights down to a few. Whether you prefer a structured, formal garden or a more naturalistic feel, we have two of the best garden designers releasing new books for the holiday season.

I'm also excited to share the news that our favourite ceramic brand, Angus and Celeste, have now moved into textiles! This husband and wife duo continue to create and innovate and are an excellent example of great Australian design. I hope you love the selection here, but remember, there's new stock arriving daily so pop in and let Pinal, the team and me help you find the perfect gifts for the whole family.

Wishing you all a joyous holiday season,

**Mel & The Curatoreum team**

### Angus & Celeste Textiles from \$35

Using soft palettes and quality fabrics, Angus & Celeste have designed a range of gorgeous textiles to elevate your home.

The range includes tea towels, tablecloths and cushion covers with optional luxe feather inserts. There are also several new ceramic offerings, perfect for gifting this Christmas.



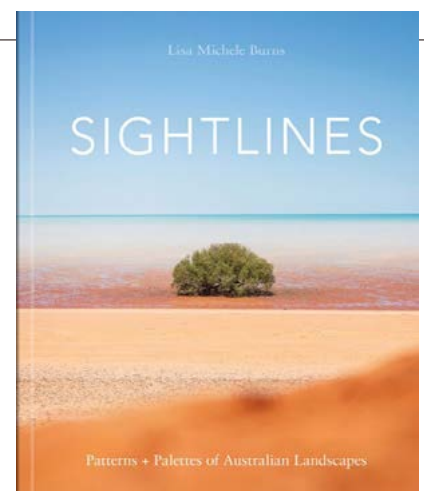
### Sightlines: Patterns and Palettes of Australian Landscapes by Lisa Michele Burns \$89.99

With *Sightlines*, award-winning photographer Lisa Michele Burns expertly captures the beauty, artistry and splendour of the Australian landscape.

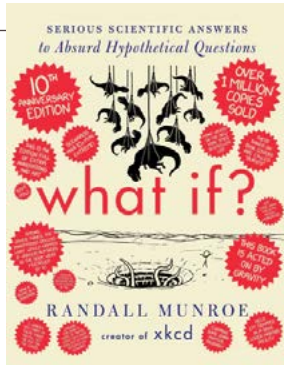
From the rainbow of sandstone hues at Gantheaume Point and ancient monolith of Uluru to the dazzling colours and patterns at the Great Barrier Reef and misty rainforests of Tasmania's Western Wilds, Burns is inspired by the magnificence and fragility of nature and takes the time to observe, research, and learn about each location, its history and formation.

This collection of images, photographed over two years, captures some of the indescribable magic of Australia, its vibrant and varied palette and patterns, and the sightlines that stretch across a seemingly never-ending landscape.

The perfect coffee-table book of the Australian landscape.



## What's new - The Curatoreum



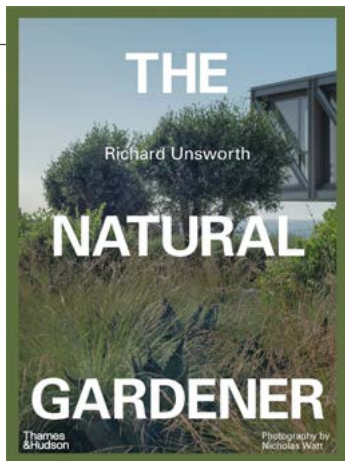
### What if? by Randall Munroe \$45

Now for something a bit fun! Do you want to out-confound the grandkiddies with their seemingly endless absurd yet adorable hypothetical questions? If YES! then I have the book for you. From the creator of the wildly popular webcomic xkcd, What if? is back with a 10th anniversary edition with answers to important questions you never thought to ask.

Fans of xkcd ask Munroe a lot of strange questions: What if you tried to hit a baseball pitched at 90 percent the speed of light? How fast can you hit a speed bump while driving and live? What would happen if the moon went away? Munroe's responses are masterpieces of clarity and hilarity, complemented by his signature xkcd comics.

### Food Forward Garden Design: A Complete Guide to Designing and Growing Edible Landscapes by Christian Douglas \$65.00

In his debut book, award-winning landscape designer Christian Douglas showcases the myriad ways to use edibles to elevate the design of your outdoor spaces. With beautiful photography of international gardens, The Food Forward Garden offers visual inspiration and practical tips. This is a brilliant book for gardeners that want to incorporate and prioritise edibles into their existing landscape.



### The Natural Gardener by Richard Unsworth \$59.99

Recently there has been a shift away from clean lines and perfectly trimmed hedges to more naturalistic plantings: the new natural garden is considered and curated, taking its cues from the surrounding landscape. Plants are laid out asymmetrically, but still are balanced, random in appearance, as though seeds have blown in and germinated where they fell.

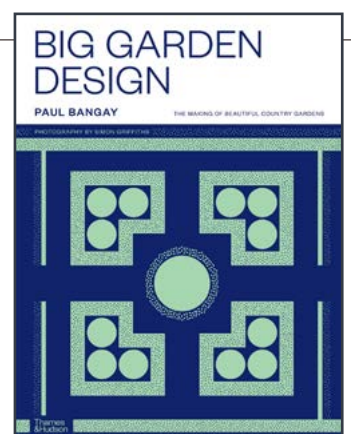
Garden designer Richard Unsworth offers advice on how to select landscape materials that sit effortlessly in the landscape, planting combinations that thrive in different settings, and discusses principles of bush regeneration and restoration. Whether large or small, urban or rural, every garden and every gardener can benefit from wildening their surroundings to reconnect with nature.

### Big Garden Design by Paul Bangay \$90.00

From grand gardens in France to a forest grown from saplings, join Paul on this tour de force of projects complete with lakes, mountains and walled gardens. For each project, Paul shares the design process, as well as garden plans and extensive planting lists.

Simon Griffiths' photography of these gardens from around the world captures the sublime form, light and generous landscapes.

Big Garden Design documents a designer who relishes the challenge of working at scale and the principles of landscape design from the most precise detail to the grandest vista.



## Friends Council Members - (elected) May 2024

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<b>Members:</b>	Marelle Rawson
	Ian Chambers
	Maggie Hawes
	Barry Langshaw
	Mark Lodder

**Donations and Sponsorship Manager:**  
Trish Keller OAM (not a Council position)



We ask all Friends to check your membership card for your renewal/expiry date!

And if you haven't joined already, then the time is right to become a Friend!

[Renew or join now](#)

## Thank you to all our Sponsors and Contributors

If you have ideas for articles, or items that might be of interest to the Friends such as stories or photos from the Arboretum or further afield, please contact me Nicole Pietrucha on: [pietruchanac1@gmail.com](mailto:pietruchanac1@gmail.com)

Many thanks to the people who have contributed articles and photos for this and previous issues of the Newsletter, and given generously of your time to write, read and proofread. I could not do it without your help.



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